Hildegarde Stubbs March 18, 1927 – November 21, 2019 Age 92

The San Dieguito Art Guild lost a Life Member last year. As a young woman, Hildegarde Stubbs worked as a professional florist in Beverly Hills and Santa Monica. At 22 years old, she got married, had children. "Art wasn't my greatest priority then," Stubbs said. "I wasn't doing much of it. I had never painted at that point."

When her four children grew up, Stubbs dove into oil painting. Her late husband encouraged her. And she had a lingering passion for art that could be traced to Coronado High School. In the late 1970s, she enrolled at the Laguna Beach School of Art. Later, she attended workshops from regarded water colorists like Robert E. Wood and Rex Brandt.

In the 1980s Stubbs became well known for watercolors of the California missions and Carlsbad's flower fields. She served as president of the San Diego Dieguito Art Guild in 1989 and 1991.

Hildegarde was a sweet and genltle soul who will be remembered with great fondness by many of the "old time" SDAG members.



Hildegarde Stubbs 1989 - 1991



COURTESY

The theme for this display will be all things heart-shaped or Valentine's Day- themed.

Off Track Gallery to hold 'Heart to Art' artist reception

A "Heart to Art" artist reception will be held at the Off Track Gallery, Feb. 1, from 4-9 p.m.

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The public is invited to an artists' reception at the Off Track Gallery celebrating hand-crafted artworks by the members of the San Dieguito Art Guild.

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San Dieguito Art Guild's

Annual Mother's Day Weekend Art, Garden & Studio Tour 2020

To be a GUEST ARTIST on the 2020 Mother's Day Tour, you MUST attend ONE of meetings listed below.

There is no other way to sign up. You cannot get an application ahead of time or find it anywhere else. If you cannot make either of these two meeting dates, then you must send a friend (with check or cash) to sign up for you and let us know which job you are willing to take. Contact Tour Chair to Jind out which jobs are available.

Thursday, January 16 at 10:30am

OR Saturday, January 18 at 11:30

LOCATION: U 5 Bank (Conference Room), 131 N. El Camino Real (near Encinitas Blvd) Do NOT park right in front of the building. Use parking lots to the south of the bank - in the general parking lot.



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Monthly Show Judge for January 7, 2020 Take-In Paul Strohm

The Bank has asked us to tell our members NOT to go through the bank's front door through the lobby. Use the side door on the <u>south</u> side of the building... Plan on being there about an hour but it will probably be less. Be prepared to pay an 595 Application Fee and optional advertisement fee in the souvenir booklet. Ad prices range from \$20 to \$100 depending on the size. This will be discussed at the meeting. You may pay cash or by check but NOT BY CREDIT CARD.

You must be a current SDAG member in good standing to apply.

Questions Contact Sharon Hoffman, Tour Chair Phone 858-775-8379

sdagmothersday@sandieguitoartguild.com

Another Successful Holiday Bazaar,

Thank you to Phil Reed for taking photographs, Linda Melemed for making gournet coffee, and Elfreda Skidmore for adding addresses and emails to the SDAG customer database. Thank you to Michael Dicken, Mark Diederich, Shirley Church, Carol Abel, and Irma Martinez for greeting the guests.

Holiday Bazaa

Thank you to our SDAG artists who each took a job to make another successful Bazaar. Thank you also to all the artists for silent auction item contributions.

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Information for Customers

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How to Price Your Artwork

Wonder if you're charging too much: too little???

Everything you've ever wondered about and more in this article on How to Price Your Art.

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NEW Online Watercolor Classes with Jayne Spencer

Learn to paint watercolor! Bring more creativity and joy into your life! Anyone can learn to paint watercolor, learning the proper skills and techniques and I'm an award-winning artist who's taught watercolor for 11 years. Enjoy painting at home, on your own schedule!

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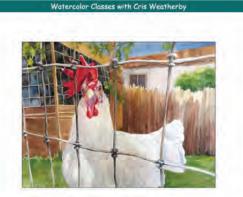
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WATERCOLOR CLASSES SEMI-PRIVATE IN MY ENCINITAS STUDIO CRISWEATHERBY.COM 760-815-0918

Paid Staffer List for the Off Track

When there is a need for a Gallery staffer to get someone to take their place to work in the Off Track Gallery the following rules apply:

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List of the Off Track Gallery Approved Paid Staff:

Doreen Long 858-487-3672 (home) Laura Lowenstein 760-450-5055 (home) or 760-753-3254 (cell) Charlene Meeker 760-917-5075 Kate O'Brien 760-726-8737 (home) Dove Rickert 218-894-1187 Devera Safran 619-954-5099 (cell) (only Thursday or Sunday) Judy Salinsky 760-807-0727 Susan Schulte 760-944-8874 (home) or 760-406-1953 (cell) needs advance notice Judianes Shannon 760-733-7088 (home) or 760-936-6124 (cell) Grace Swanson 760-805-0434 (cell)

If you need additional help or have special circumstances or wish to be on the list of qualified staffers, please notify one of the Gallery Calendar Co-Chairs to discuss.



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Members of the San Dieguito Art Guild with presenter Dot Renshaw (seated, second from right)

Annual Membership Meeting held for members of the San Dieguito Art Guild

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Membership is open to all local San Diego County artists. For more information go to SanDieguitoArtGuild.com









You are Invited Meet your fellow San Dieguito Art Guild Members



"You are OUR Star" SDAG Annual Meeting

DateSaturday, January 11, 2020Time10am to 1pmLocationEncinitas Community Center, 1140 Oakcrest Park Dr, Encinitas

RSVP to Karen Fidel, Membership Chair membership@sandieguitoartguild.com

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SAN DIEGUITO ART GUILD Off Track Gallery

Paint Rag

February 2020

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Welcome New SDAG Members!

Kelly Griffin (mosaic) Craig A. Meyer (photography) Virginia Murray (acrylic) Jonathan Rosenberg (glass)

WANTED - 3D ARTISTS

The Off Track Gallery has cubicles available to display your work for \$100 per ratation (two months - \$50 per month.) 3 shelves are available. This is for 3D artists only: glass, wood, metal, ceramic, etc. Each shelf of the cube is 18"×18"×18"

> Username & Password will CHANGE AS OF Feb 1, 2020. Enter it in your phone under SDAG so you will always have it! Or take a picture of it and save on your phonel

Changed annually so only current members can access our Members Only section of website and Staffing Calendar.

Same user name and password for both sites. New User Name : MemberSDAG2020 New Password: Offtrack#2020

Substitute Staffers

Paid Substitute Staffers Wanted

Anyone who has gone through training and/or overlap shifts, feels comfortable staffing, can climb a ladder to take pieces down, and enjoys. working with customers will be considered.

If you have not staffed for a while, you will need to familiarize yourself with where things are now in the gallery and re-read the Daily Staffing Guide at the desk, and the Training Guide to become up to date on all the policy and procedures

Please contact Carol Korfin, calendar chair at carol@glassgiraffe.com

Note:

A new list of Substitute Staffers that you can hire to staff in your place is always available on the Staffing Calendar on the SDAG website. Look at the upper left hand corner. There is a button you can click on to bring up the list.

Remember it is YOUR responsibility to notify the calendar chair, Carol Korfin, AND the gallery, where they will change it on the paper calendar in the binder.

Enter Now for the next Monthly Show

Monthly Show Entry Now Open for February 25, 2020



LAPTOP COMPUTER NEEDED

The Gallery is looking for an unloved laptop computer that needs a new home. The computer must have Excel loaded on it. Will be used for Monthly Show take-ins. Donation only.

Please contact the Cheryl Ehlers, Monthly Show Chair at: SDAGmonthlyshow@gmail.com

Quest for Off-Site Exhibit Venue

Joyce Ford and Ursula Schroter, the off site show coordinators for the San Dieguito Art Guild, are looking for venues that could show Wall Art and possibly 3-D art. Suggestions would be very much appreciated!

If you can think of any venues please contact Joyce Ford at joycesquiltingart@gmail.com or Ursula Schroter at uschroter@gmail.com

For example see below the show the Guild had at the San Diego Botanic Garden in the Ecke Building last year.



id Substitute Staffers

Go directly to the Entry form: https://form.jotform.com /193585677625172 SAN DIEGUITO ART GUILD Monthly Show Entry Now Open For FEB 25 Show Be an early bird! DEADLINE: Submissions are Monday, FEB 24th, By 12PM. All Information is on our website for Entering a Monthly Show Please use the online form only!

SHOW AND TELL

Thursday, Feb 27 10 am-12 noon

Marilyn Shayegan will host and give an acrylic pour demo

2018 Oxford Street Cardiff, Ca 92007

RSVP to Kate: zelda1970@cox.net

ming SDAG Events

- Feb 1 Saturday, 4:00-9:00pm, Reception at the Off Track Gallery Feb 24 Monday, 10:00am, Board of Directors Meeting Feb 25 Tuesday, 3:30-5:30pm, Monthly Show Take-In for March

Upcoming SDAG Events

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| Feb 24 | Monday, 10:00am, Board of Directors Meeting |
| Feb 25 | Tuesday, 3:30-5:30pm, Monthly Show Take-In for March |
| March | |
| Mar 23 | Monday, 10:00am, Board of Directors Meeting |
| Mar 25 | Wednesday, 6:00-8:00pm, Wall Rotation |
| Mar 26 | Thursday, 7:00-10:00am and 6:00-8:00pm, Wall Rotation |
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Mar 26 Thursday, 10:00am-6:00pm, Floor Rotation. Mar 31 Tuesday, 3:30-5:30, Monthly Show Take-In for April

Message from SDAG President

The Membership Meeting was so much fun with each person sharing their work. the exchange of gifts that Grace coordinated , and the wonderful critiques that were done by Dot Renshaw



January went so fast, and now we are going into February. There is a lot going on in this month as in all the other months of the year. Fun all around. This month the reception is on February 1 from 4-9pm which partners with the the Encinita s Art Night event. We have completely changed the art work because of rotation this week and the change in the Monthly show. Hope you can attend and meet your fellow artists and our guests.

Our annual Mother's Day Weekend Art, Garden and Studio tour is coming soon, so if you have friends that would like to be a greeter or if any of you would like to be a greeter at this occasion let Carol Korfin know. Each greeter gets 2 free tickets for their help with the tour.

Hope this month brings joy and happiness to all.

Linda Melvin **SDAG** President

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receives award from Linda Melvin Board President

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Environmental Painters Schedule

Call Joan Grine 858-525-1482 for more directions and with questions, or email her at: joanjgrine@gmail.com

February

Feb. 4 and 11 ---- Leo Carrillo Ranch Feb. 18 and 25 --- Torrey Pines Extensioin

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January 7, 2020 Take-In

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- Judi Pheiffer 'Sunflowers' 3rd
- HM Cher Bettencourt 'Bubba'
- HM Char Cee Colosia 'Winter Passing'
- HM Jill Treadwell Svendsen 'Barn Envy'

Acrylic, Watercolor

- 1st Marcy Evers 'Fluidity' (Acrylic)
- 2nd Gregg Sindici 'Whoosh' (Acrylic) 3rd Julie Swartz 'Wave of Excitement' (Acrylic)

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Photography 1st Margot Carrera 'Blue Iris Flower'

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Mixed Media

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- 3rd Michelle Williams 'Hearts Ablaze"

Other (Textile, Glass, Wood, Jewelry)

- 1st Bruce Norton 'Antique Archeology Guitar' (Wood) 2nd Margot Carrera 'Lily Pond' (Glass)
- 3rd Virginia Ann Holt 'Koi A'Swimming' (Hand Painted Scarf) HM Doreen Long 'Baby Alpaca & Silk Wrap' (Textile)
- HM Karla Nederlof 'Fork Bracelet' (Jewelry)
- HM Ianne Pruss 'Ocean's Waves' (Fused Glass)



Treasure Hunt by Artie Mattson (Mixed Media)





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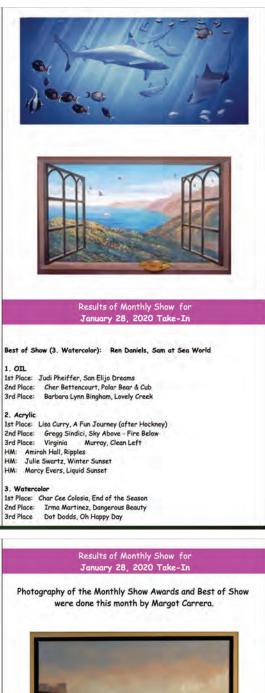
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San Elijo Dreams by Judi Pheiffer (Oil)



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4. Photography 1st Place: Craig Meyer, Back In The Day 2nd Place: Margot Carrera, Blue Heron

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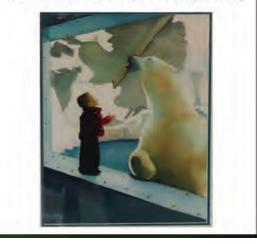
7. Other Media (Pen / Ink, Graphite, etc) 1st Place: Basia Koenig, Seen and Unseen (Graphite) 1st Place: Kerry Cortinas, Saxophone (Pastel) 2nd Place: Kerry Cortinas, Sax Dress (Pastel) 3rd Place: Kelly Griffin, To the Sea (Mosaic)

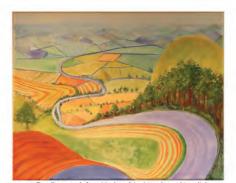
8. Free Standing Art and 9, Wall Hanging Art 1st Place: Jonathan Rosenberg, Bubble Wrapped Rainbow (Glass) 2nd Place: Bruce Norton, Nortune, Kazoo (Wood) 3rd Place: Bruce Norton Nortune, 3 String Desoto #45 (Wood)

10, Textiles and 11, Jewelry Ist Place: Karla Nederlof, Spoon Bracelet (Jewelry) 2nd Place: Doreen Long, Purple Iris Luxury Wrap & Card (Textiles)

> Results of Monthly Show for January 28, 2020 Take-In

Best of Show - Ren Daniels 'Sam at Sea World' (Watercolor)

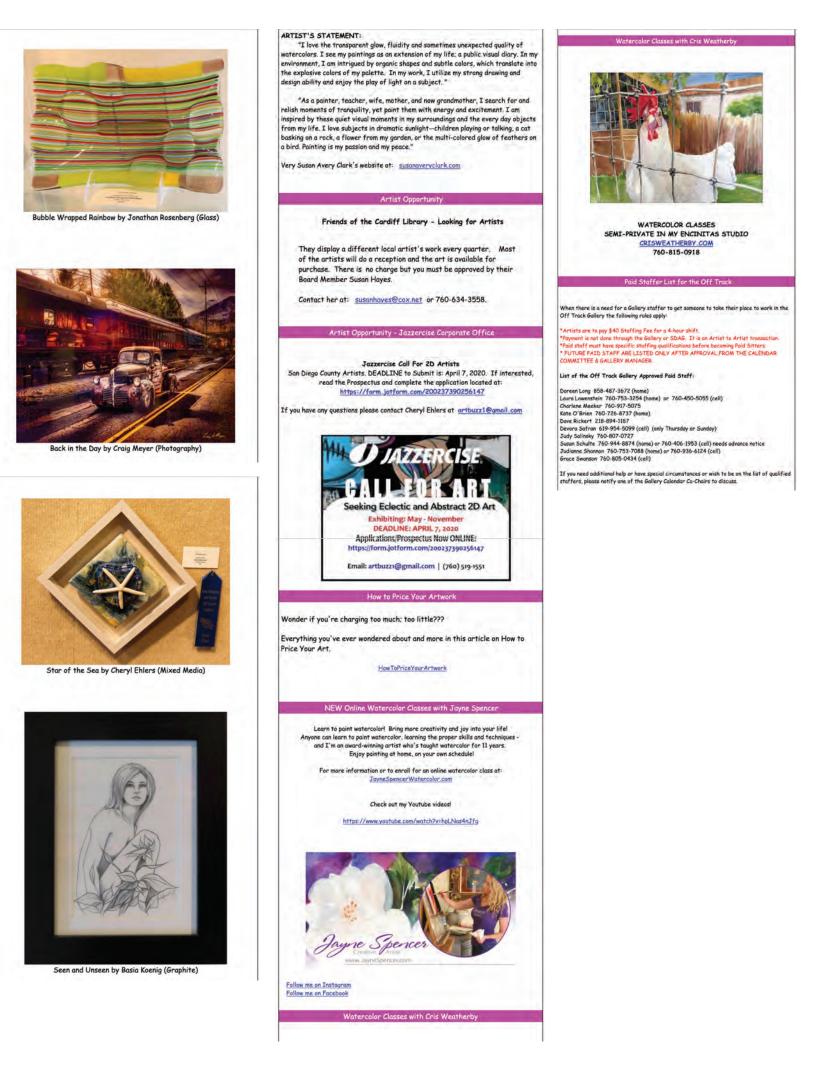




A Fun Journey (after Hockney) by Lisa Curry (Acrylic)



End of the Season by Char Cee Colosia (Watercolor)



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from her heart

All artwork in Gallery 10% off ALL day from 10am to closing

> **Off Track Gallery** 937 S. Coast Hwy 101, Encinitas 760.942.3636 OffTrackGallery.com





The Off Track Gallery Reception Joins the City of Encinitas' ArtNight

RECEPTION SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 4PM - 9PM



The theme for this special display will be all things heart shaped or Valentine's Day themed. Included will be jewelry, gourd art, glass, pottery, and paintings. Come on by and find a gift for your special Valentine.

Ann Blessing-Gallager

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The public is invited to an artists' reception at the Off Track Gallery celebrating hand-crafted artworks by the members of the San Dieguito Art Guild. From our hearts to yours.



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San Dieguito Art Guild Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes US Bank, Encinitas February 24, 2020

Call to order: 10:00 by Linda Melvin, President

IN ATTENDANCE: Jeff Brosbe, Deborah Buffington, Karen Fidel, Sharon Hoffman, Carol Korfin, Linda Melemed, Linda Melvin, Terry Oshrin, Lily Pourat, Judy Salinsky, Grace Swanson, Nancy Atherton West, Cheryl Ehlers.

ABSENT: Ellen Cramer, Julie Harris, Sandy Heath.

<u>Secretary's Notes</u> - Nancy West explained two corrections to the notes from the January minutes that she made after the original draft was sent via email.

Motion: Karen Fidel moved to approve the minutes from January with corrections and Cheryl Ehlers seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

President's Notes - none.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Linda Melemed presented the financial report summarizing that on January 31st, 2020, SDAG had total cash on hand of \$141,669. Artist sales year to date for the month ended January 31st were \$40,026, down from the prior year sales of \$41,089. Net profit Year to Date is \$49 down from the prior year profit of \$1,395.

Motion: Karen Fidel moved to accept the Treasurer's Report; Jeff Brosbe seconded. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

After approval of the Treasurer's Report the Board discussed various ideas for raising revenue. The discussion ranged from raising fees and/or commissions, eliminating the 10% discount during events when sales are highest, to creating online competitions with associated fees.

Linda Melvin asked Judy Salinsky and Cheryl Ehlers to write up a proposal with specifics for the Board to review and discuss. Jeff Brosbe commented that if we make changes to any of the current fees or commissions we will need to examine all our contracts and any other place these are referenced, including our web site.

<u>Fundraising</u> - Sharon Hoffman reported that the Mother's Day committee met on the 12th, there are currently 8 houses and the committee is working on distributing artists to each home. The order of houses is not yet worked out; the committee is working on the order and driving directions at this time. Note that Donna will need this information to continue work on the booklet.

Tickets will be ready for sale and in the gallery on April 8th. The bookmarks have been published and will be in the gallery soon.

Judy Salinsky and Grace Swanson are working on improvements for promoting the Mother's Day event on our website and will work with Carol Korfin on implementation.

Linda Melvin reported that the Artists in Charge (of each house) will meet with her at her home on March 10 at 9am. We need one more Artist in Charge.

Cheryl Ehlers reported that she will work on the liability insurance for the homeowners.

Photography for the publications is done.

<u>Publicity</u> - Grace Swanson reported that the Featured Artist for the upcoming reception is Charlene Meeker. Judy Salinsky needs the names of her paintings for publicity and will call Charlene.

The Community Center show starts Thursday with a reception on April 11, the same night as our reception. Grace will coordinate who needs to work and/or bring food to the Community Center.

Grace continued that she needs volunteers to help clean the storage unit on March 18th. Linda Melvin offered to have a garage sale of things we want to dispose of at her home on Saturday, March 21 from 7am to noon.

<u>Social Media</u> - Judy Salinsky reported that she learned how to get into activity on Instagram for the gallery. "Engagement" is when someone "likes" your work. In August of 2018 we had 485 "likes". In December of 2019 only 25. Judy gave more examples of data, including "Impressions" which is the number of times a post is seen, and "Reaches" which is when a viewer engages in the post. Judy Salinsky strongly suggests we use the Paint Rag newsletter and our website to increase the use of Instagram. She urges all artists to post photos of your work to Instagram and like your post to the gallery account. The tag @Offtrackgallery will link your post to the gallery feed.

The Board discussed the fact that not all artists understand exactly how to do this and offered a "class" to teach how to use Instagram taught by Judy Salinsky and Lily Pourat.

Calendar Report - Carol Korfin reported that calendar management is going smoothly.

<u>Wall Report</u> - Deborah Buffington reported that no one is leaving the wall and that there are seven artists on the waiting list. She also reminded all that wall renters must use the same methods for framing and hanging that are required for the monthly shows.

<u>Floor Report</u> - Lily Pourat brought up the fact that the line between what is art and what is craft can make jurying in of floor renters difficult. Especially since we still have open cubes. She posed the question - should we allow 3D art that is more toward craft than we normally have accepted. The Board discussed guidelines and Grace Swanson moved to loosen our definitions or art vs. craft. Judy Salinsky commented that art shows and should induce emotion and expression, while crafts show craftsmanship. Lily Pourat seconded Grace's motion. Carol Korfin asked to amend the motion to include close monitoring of the craftsmanship and quality of the work by the Floor Chair.

The Board voted on the motion with nine ayes and two nays. The motion was passed.

<u>Calendar Report</u> - Carol Korfin reported that from Memorial Day to Labor Day the gallery will have expanded hours and reception night hours until 9 or 9:30.

Carol Korfin reported that the website improvements are coming along nicely. Some expenses have been as expected, other not. Carol continued with some examples concluding that our web site is in its fifth year since rebuilding and we should be in good shape for some time now.

Jobs Report - Jeff Brosbe reported that the current jobs list has been sent out via email. He reminded the Board that he needs to know when a person joins or leaves a team. No luck in finding a Parliamentarian. He is hoping for a member who has been with the gallery five plus vears.

Following up from last month as the Board asked Ursula Shroder and Joyce Ford, whose responsibility it is to find outside shows and opportunities to provide a report of their work, Jeff Brosbe reported that they both have asked for different jobs.

Monthly Show - Cheryl Ehlers reported that the monthly show take in is working fine with the online registration. Cheryl also reported on judging and the difficulty with no "categories". She explained that our judges could use the following five criteria and a point system to make the judging more fair, faster, and easier. The criteria would be artistic composition, technical craftsmanship, design elements (5), originality, and creativity.

Gallery Chair Report - Terry Oshrin had emailed the Gallery Committee minutes to the Board previously and there were no questions.

Newsletter - Sharon Hoffman asked the Board if the newsletter should still run the ad for rental of cubes, and it was agreed it should stay.

Motion: Karen Fidel moved to adjourn the meeting; Linda Melemed seconded. All in favor, meeting adjourned 11:49.

Submitted by Nancy Atherton West, Secretary



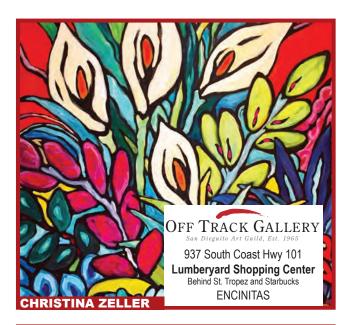
Friday, February 14

10 am to 6pm

10% off

All artwork in the Off Track Gallery all day







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| Lumberyard Shopping Center Behind St. Tropez and Starbucks |

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ENGLISH TEACHER - AL 17 Jeff Brosbe was teaching English in an Israeli high INGLISH TEACHER = AL 17 Jen Brosbe was teaching English in an Israeli high school Today, at 23, he teaches English at San Dieguito High School, and con-trasts the educational system of Israel and Southern California.

San Dieguito's youthful teacher

school's administration doesn't gues that its English teacher students.

Broste, who joined the San Dieguito High School English Department last fall is now 23. and has a degree in English plus a master's degree in speech. A graduate of Garden Grove High-School Broche entered USC at 16 on an honory scholarship, and during summer vacation decided to see Europe.

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rything of the kibbulz is

At the mellow old age of 17, communal, If you want a Jeff Brosbe, with a year of postage stamp, haircut, bus college behind him, began fare, food, clothing, dental teaching high school English in treatment, or whatever else you Tiberias, Israel Tothis day, the may need it is given to you by the kibbutz."

After learning barely enough was younger than many of his Hebrew to ask directions, Brosbe left the protection of the kibbutz to see the rest of Israel. When he ran out of funds, Brosbe, who is Jewish, applied for a job as English teacher at the high school in Tiberias.

> Since he was the only applicant who knew English he was accepted in spite of his youth, although he admits that, he gave the school administration the impression he was at least 20

"We kept a six day work week there. School is held six days AND CON

subjects, and they have very little choice in what they may study. They wear uniforms to school, and the discipline is very rigid. When the teacher enters the room everyone stands. They do get a break in the Spring, though. That is when most of the Jewish holidays occur, and school is let out for each of them," Brosbe said.

After a year of teaching, the young American was offered a permanent staff position, but declined to return to California and complete his own education.



Notice to our customers

The Off Track Gallery will be closed until further notice

The **reception** that was to be held on April 11 is cancelled

Mother's Day Weekend Art, Garden, and Studio Tour is cancelled

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June 12 10am to 6pm

Off Track Gallery

Friday

will re-open

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The Off Track Gallery will be closed until further notice and when permission is granted for our category of business to re-open with every precaution taken for our staff and customers.

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grants to nonprofits



Grants Committee members with e staff (as identified): Isobel Shapiro, , Nicole Ketcher, Operation Hope director t, Charity Singleton, Operation Hope tor, Cindy Dankberg, Lynne Calkins

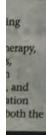
was established in 2008 by 19 women. Today,) women participate in the Fund. Their goal is ct on the lives of women and girls in San directing resources to programs that empower ufficiency.

mation about Hand to Hand or to become a w.coastalfoundation.org or email indation.org.

History Month

Pacific Ridge School students in the Black udent Union (BSU) recently created a mporary museum in honor of Black istory Month. Students turned the mpus' Community Hall into a celebration black authors, civil rights leaders, ucators, musicians, artists and more, spirational quotes. To bring more ention to the museum and to raise funds the group, BSU held a special sentation from the San Diego State iversity Diamonds, a dance team that nces in the traditional majorette/drill m way of historically black colleges and iversities, followed by a BBQ outside of museum.

The Elizabeth Hospice



application and training process. To ensure a place at the volunteer orientation session, contact the Volunteer Department at

(800) 797-2050 or send an email to volunteer@ehospice.org.



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San Dieguito Art Guild show now on display at the Encinitas **Community Center**

Reception to be held April 11

Fifteen members of the San **Dieguito Art Guild recently** installed a show, titled "Yes, No, Wow!", in the Encinitas ommunity Cente

The participants, Jeffrey R. Brosbe, Karen Fidel, Cam Baher, Gayle Baker, Jill Ballard, Debi Buffington, Kathy Bush, Cheryl DeLain, Nora Dewey, Cheryl Ehlers, Sharon Hoffman, Linda Melemed, Diane O'Connell, Grace Swanson and Nancy Atherton-West, share their individual artistic passions: pottery, paintings, jewelry, wood, and photography.

The show, which consists of 40 pieces of original artwork, is installed in the lighted cabinet in the hallway of the Community Center, located at 1140 Oakcrest Park Drive, Encinitas, and runs from now until Wednesday, April 22. The Community Center is

open Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. and Sunday, 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. The Community Center phone number is (760) 943-2260. This exhibit is free and open to the public. Most pieces in the show are for sale and available by contacting the artists directly. Contact information is listed on a small card next to each piece.

A reception, free and open to the public, will take place on Saturday, April 11, as part of the City of Encintas' Art Night when other galleries in Encinitas will also be open. Visit

SanDieguitoArtGuild.com for more information. The free 8-week show is part of the Civic Art Program which is an initiative of the Encinitas Commission for the Arts. For questions or more information:

pr@SanDieguitoArtGuild.com

WELCOME

MASK mandatory to enter gallery

If you do not have one, we will supply one for you

Use hand sanitizer provided before entering

Please maintain 6 feet physical distance from other shoppers

CREDIT CARDS ONLY No Cash



In the 1980s Stubbs became well known for watercolors of the California missions and Carlsbad's flower fields. She served as president of the San Dieguito Art Guild in 1989 and 1991

Hildegarde was a sweet and genitle soul who will be remembered with great fondness by many of the "old time" SDAG members.



Member News - Jayne Spence Creative artist Jayne Spencer gets teaching...... Check out the article in the Escondido Grapevine about SDAG member Jayne

Spencer

https://escondidograpevine.com/2020/02/14/creative-artist-javne-spencergets-teaching/



Javne Spencer (center) with members of a class at her studio

GARAGE SALE

Garage Sale at Linda Melvin's home

7 am to noon, Saturday, March 21

Items will be cleaned out of the SDAG storage unit mid March. Anything not currently being used or needed will be taken to Linda Melvin's nome at 843 Santa Regina, Solana Beach,

Come on by and see what is for sale. Proceeds go to the Guild.

WANTED - 3D ARTISTS

The Off Track Gallery has cubicles available to display your work for \$100 pe rotation (two months - \$50 per month.) Each cubicle consists of 3 shelves. This is for 3D artists only: glass, wood, metal, ceramic, etc. Each shelf of the cube is 18"x18"x18".

Contact Floor Chair Lily Pourat at: lilythepotter@gmail.com



LAPTOP COMPUTER NEEDED

The Gallery is looking for an unloved laptop computer that needs a new home. The computer must have Excel loaded on it. Will be used for Monthly Show take-ins. Donation only.

Please contact the Cheryl Ehlers, Monthly Show Chair at: MonthlyShow@sandieguitoartquild.com

SDAG Website - User Name and Password Change

SDAG Website and Staffing Calendar User Name / Password Change

Username & Password CHANGED AS OF Feb 1, 2020. Enter it in your phone under SDAG so you will always have it! Or take a picture of it and save on your phone!

Changed annually so only current members can access our Members Only section of website and Staffing Calendar.

Same user name and password for both sites. New User Name : MemberSDAG2020 New Password: Offtrack#2020

Art. Later, she attended workshops from regarded water colorists like Robert E. Wood and Rex Brandt

JOB GUIDELINE DIFFERENCES FOR MONTHLY SHOW PARTICIPANTS & FLOOR/WALL DISPLAY ARTISTS

Monthly Show Participants:

1. An Artist showing in a monthly show, at the time of take-in, must commit to a job on sign-up sheets in the gallery, provided by the Monthly Show Chair. These sheets track what jobs need to be filled in the month that you are showing or the following month.

2. A Monthly Show job, on average, is approximately a 2-3 hour commitment. Upon completing the chosen job, in a timely manner, the Monthly Show Artist has then fulfilled that Monthly Show job requirement.

Floor/Wall Display Artists:

1. A Display Artist's job is typically not a one-time occurrence, but a more significant, continuous, commitment to the gallery.

2. A Floor or Wall Display Artist needs to staff the gallery, a minimum of 12 hours (three 4-four hour shifts) each rotation.

3. An Artist can be relieved from their 3rd, 4-hour shift, each rotation, by doing a much-needed job that the Job Chair has been asked to fill, on an ongoing basis, as needed basis , of approximately 3 hours average in duration over the year.

4. Upon completing the 12-hour staffing or 2-staffing shifts plus a 3-5 hour staffing replacement job, the Floor/Wall Artist has thus fulfilled the Renter's rotation job requirements, provided that they otherwise are in good standing with the Floor/Wall Rotation Chairs.

Upcoming SDAG Events

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- Mar 19 Thursday, 1:00pm, Gallery Committee Meeting
- Mar 25 Monday, 10:00am, Board of Directors Meeting Mar 25 Wednesday, 6:00-8:00pm, Wall Rotation Mar 26 Thursday, 7:00-10:00am and 6:00-8:00pm, Wall Rotation

- Mar 26. Thursday, 10:00am-6:00pm, Floor Ratation Mar 31. Tuesday, 3:30-5:30, Monthly Show Take-In for April
- April

Apr 11 Saturday, 4:00-9:00pm, Reception at the Off Track Gallery Apr 27 Manday, 10:00am, Board of Directors Meeting Apr 28 Tuesday, 3:30-5:30pm, Monthly Show Take-In for May

Message from SDAG President

February came in and then left so quickly. The months seem to go by faster every year. Hope you all had a wonderful Valentines Day.

March will be a little busier with Rotation on March 25 and 26 and the Jury Meeting on March 13. If you have met the Monthly Show requirements make sure to respond to Elizabeth Pourat's request for artists to jury their art work.

If you have work to put into the Monthly Show please enter online by noon on March 30th and bring it to the gallery on March 31 between 3:30 and 5:30pm. The next Art Night and Reception will be on April 11 and I hope all can plan to attend and talk to the people that attend.

Mother's Day planning is in full swing and we are looking forward to fun and artistic days at this event. Everyone that has signed up will be getting placement information in the near future.

I hope March brings all of you much happiness and fun.

Linda Melvin SDAG President 'Make each day a Masterpiece'

President@sandieguitoartguild.com

Environmental Painters Schedule

Call Joan Grine 858-525-1482 for more directions and with questions, or email her at: joanjgrine@gmail.com

March



Reception February 1 at the Off Track

Artist Reception at the Off Track Gallery, February 1, 2020, from 4-9pm The theme was all things heart shaped or Valentine's Day theme Gallery sales for the (whole) day was a fantastic \$3012.60



Art Night at the Off Track



Susan Harris - Featured Artist









Tony Chavez & Paul Richter



To contact the Monthly Show Chair send an email to Cheryl Ehlers at: MonthlyShow@sandieguitoartguild.com

All Monthly Show entries must remain an display for the entire month unless sold. They may then be replaced with a similar size and type of artwork.

Visit the Off Track website to review the rules for submitting artwork in monthly shows at the gallery: https://sandieguitoartguild.com/membership/enter-a-monthly-show/

March Monthly Show Award Winners

1. 01

- Dipak Gupta Angry Ocean 1st 2nd
- Barbara Lynn Bingham Springtime in Shingle Springs Neda Olomi Maca 3rd
- HM Shirley Church - Medicine Man

2. Acrylic

- 1st Jean Dybes - Moonstruck 2nd
- Gregg Sindici Blue Squared 3rd Aura Walmer - Loving Leaves
- HM
- Banni Hughes Tiny Infinite Kingdom VirginiaMurray- Solitude HM

3. Watercolor / 3. Gouache

- Charlotte Colosia Sunset by the Sea 1st
- 2nd Elizabeth Gilpin - Morning Mist Cher Bettencourt - Swing in the Breeze
- 3rd
- BOS Irma Martinez - An Old Harbor

- 4. Photography / 5. Digital Art 1st Haward Bagley La Jalla Crush 2nd Howard Bagley La Jalla Crush Howard Bagley End Falla Crush 1st Kerry Cortinas Lightness of Being (Digital Art) HM Craig Meyer San Diego Sunrise

6. Mixed Mediums / 7. Other Media: (Pen/Ink/Pastels/Graphite, etc. 1st

- Bea Gold Ponytails ((Pen/Ink) Basia Koenig Drama Queen (Graphite) 2nd
- 3rd
- Judy Richardson Sea Garden Princess Kery Jans Bloomin Blues Kerry Cortinas Joy HM
- HM

9. 3D Wall Art / 8. 3D Free Standing

1st

- 2nd
- Ry Gelain Daniel (Plaster) Johnathon Rosenberg Naranja Twist (Glass) Kelly Griffin Swamis (Mosaic) Bruce Norton Casa Tarano Tarpedo (Mixed Medias) 3rd HM

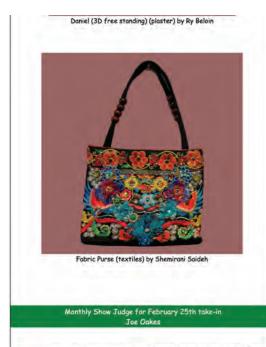
10. Textiles / 11. Jewelry

1st

- Shemirani Saideh Fabric Purse Karla Nederlof Fork Bracelet 2nd
- 3rd Doreen Long - Ocean Blue Scarf Kay Teeters - Tiger
- HM

March Monthly Show - Best of Show





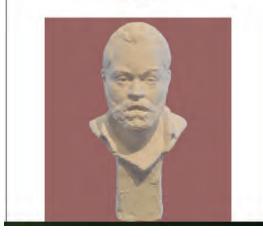


Born in Chicago, Tilinois, Joe Oakes was raised in the city's surrounding suburbs. However, it wasn't until the artist moved to Southern California in 1992 that he found the mountain scenes he had been painting since childhood.

Oakes' need to create grew with the encouragement and support received from family, teachers and peers. He experimented with media such as oil, acrylic, pastel and colored pencil but his favorite was just a simple pencil and pad of paper. Winning school awards and

ravorite was just a simple penci and pad of paper. Winning school awards and accolades become common during these school years. His first college experience in 1985 was a short lived attempt at an accelerated commercial art degree program. Oakes entered college again in 1992 and completed his education, receiving a BFA from CSU Fullerton in 1997.

 Paytalls (nixed media)





Sunset by the Sea (watercolor) by Char Cee Colosia



March Monthly Show - Award Winners

Photography of the Monthly Show Award Winners and Best of Show were taken this month by Howard Bagley.



Angry Ocean (oil) by Dipak Gupta



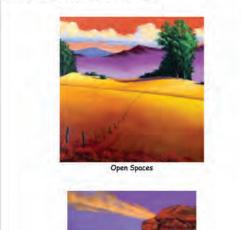
Moonstruck (acrylic) by Jean Dybes

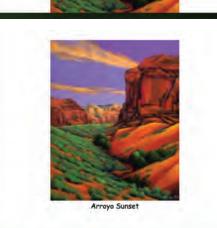
Settling into a career and a home and starting a family just didn't leave much time for drawing or painting. But in his mind he knew one day he would fulfill his dream of being an artist. In 2009 changes to both personal and professional life created an apportunity to work toward that dream. He began creating small paintings, in pastel at first then moving to acrylics and oils.

In 2010 an apportunity to teach painting at the local senior center presented itself. This was the catalyst that not only improved his artwork but met an unknown desire. The desire was to share something he loves and to inspire others to paint and create. Oakes has not looked back and has received numerous awards and recognition for his art. He continues to teach and exhibit throughout California and the southwest.

Artist Statement

"Each painting is an emotional response to color... real or imagined but always felt. All of us, in varying degrees, have become blind to the colors of our world. The mind dictates the color of things without true observation Giving thase colors back to each of us through painting is my goal. Taking the time to see the least abvious colors in everything is the start. Then I make those colors bigger, bolder and brighter so they become the star. That is the spark needed to awaken our desire to know color better and enjoy it in our everyday lives."





Monthly Show Judge for March 31st take-in

Igor Koutsenko was born in Evpatoria, a resort city on the Crimean Peninsula on the Black Sea. His father brought Igor to the Children's Art School in his hometown after his son demonstrated artistic ability at a young age. At age eleven, Koutsenko was accepted to the adult art studio directed by the acclaimed artist Zvyagintesev who encouraged his talent. Later Igor was educated at the Penza School of Art (class of E. Iadynis) and received rigorous training in the old



E. Iadynis) and received rigorous training in the ald traditions of Russian realist art. While living in Moscow, he successfully used the Moscow art market to sell his works to Russian and foreign collectors. His experience in Moscow allowed him to fully realize husself as an independent artist.

Koutsenko immigrated to the United States in 1992 settling in Oklahoma City where he taught fine art at the University of Central Oklahoma. In 1995, he was granted permanent United States residentship as an alien of extraordinary abilities. In 1998 Koutsenko visited Southern California and was attracted by its beautiful scenery and climate that reminded him of his boyhood surroundings in Crimea. Since moving to Southern California, he continues to produce original work at his private studio in Fallbrook. Igor also teaches drawing and painting classes at the Fallbrook School of The Arts. A reception, free and open to the public, will take place on Saturday. April 11 as part of the City of Encintas' Art Night when other galleries in Encinitas will also be open.

The San Dieguita Art Guild is dedicated to furthering artistic understanding and fostering artistic growth of members and the community at large by promoting interest, education, knowledge and skills in the visual arts. The Guild offers demos once a month for a nominal fee at the Encinitas Library. Go to <u>SanDieguitoArtGuild.com</u> for more information. In addition, once a year, the Guild hosts the very popular Mother's Day Weekend Art, Garden & Studio tour. Tickets for this tour are \$30, available after April 8 at <u>OffTrackGallery.com</u>, at the Gallery itself, or at each home day days of the tour.

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Artist Opportunity

Friends of the Cardiff Library - Looking for Artists

They display a different local artist's work every quarter. Most of the artists will do a reception and the art is available for purchase. There is no charge but you must be approved by their

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Contact her at: susanhayes@cox.net or 760-634-3558.

Arts Alive 101

The Arts Alive 101 Banner Unveiling Reception is on March 14, 2020 from 4-6pm at the Encinitas Community Center, Several Gallery artists are involved,

Note from the Editor:

SDAG Members that have participated in this year's Arts Alive Banners please send a jpeg file of your banner to me. I would love to display your artwork on these wonderful banners in the April Paint Rag.

Send to: PaintRag@SanDieguitoArtGuild.com

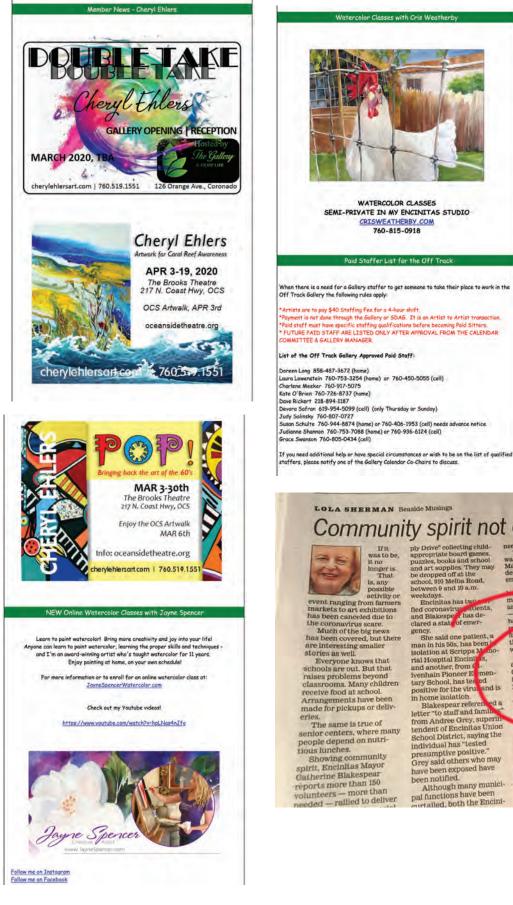
Artist Opportunity - Jazzercise Corporate Office

Jazzercise Call For 2D Artists San Diego County Artists. DEADLINE to Submit (s: April 7, 2020. If interested, read the Prospectus and complete the application located at: https://form.jotform.com/200237390256147

If you have any questions please contact Cheryl Ehlers at <u>artbuzz1@gmail.com</u>



Email: artbuzzi@gmail.com | (760) 519-1551



Community spirit not canceled as cities na need for additional space." The Oceanside council was due to endorse City Manager Deanna Lorson's declaration of a state of emergency. As for the markets, the

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As for the markets the sour - Oceanside's morning Farmers Market and evening Sunset Market - have been closed only a handful of times in their an years for the Farmers and 13 ion the Sunset) for inclement

Brown raper reacts, which assists many small productions, pleads: "From independent bookstores, to

local theaters, to arts non-profits, event organizers are in immediate financial

danger. For them, every ticket matters — one can-

weather. Exhibition shutdowns Exhibition shutdowns affect everything from the Oceanside Museum of Art to Off Track Gallery in the Emeinitas Lumberyard. Performances, like the "Sweet Charity" scheduled production at Oceanside Theatre Company, also are to maid.

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RECEPTION SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 4PM – 9PM

This event is FREE and open to the Public *Featuring the artwork of Charlene Meeker*

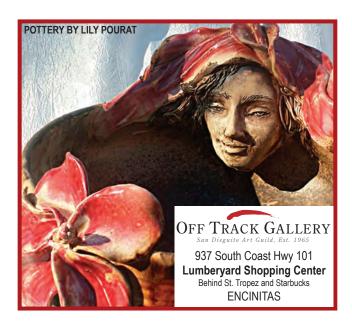


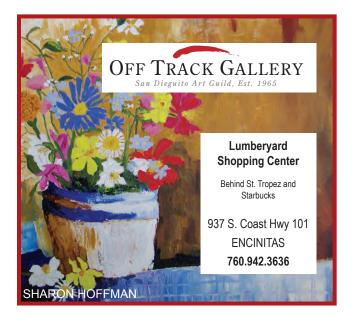




Charlene enjoys a variety of painting mediums: acrylic, pastel, pen 'n ink, colored pencil and watercolor.

JOIN US FOR REFRESHMENTS All artwork in the gallery will be 10% off all day from 10am to closing





SAN DIEGUITO ART GUILD Off Track Gallery

Paint Rag April 2020

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The San Dieguito Art Guild Board of Directors has directed the following:

1. Gallery is to be closed for the month of April.

Reception scheduled for April 11 is to be concelled.
 Mother's Day Tour is cancelled.

4. Monthly Show Take-In for April 28 is cancelled.

Be sure to watch for emails from the Guild for further updates

dar Committee is working on a way to accomplish staffing shift sign-ups for June and July (which would have been done at rotation at the end of March), closer to when we decide on our reopen date. Watch for a notice through the Calendar Staffing Notice program.

LAPTOP COMPUTER NEEDED

The Gallery is looking for an unloved laptop computer that needs a new home. The computer must have Excel loaded on it. Will be used for Monthly Show take-ins. Donation only.

Please contact the Cheryl Ehlers, Monthly Show Chair at: MonthlyShow@sandieguitoartguild.com

SDAG Website - User Name and Password Change

SDAG Website and Staffing Calendar User Name / Password Change

Username & Password CHANGED AS OF Feb 1, 2020. Enter it in your phone under SDAG so you will always have it! Or take a picture of it and save on your phone!

Changed annually so only current members can access our Members Only section of website and Staffing Calendar.

Same user name and password for both sites. New User Name : MemberSDAG2020 New Password: Offtrack#2020

Message from SDAG President



Narch blew in like a lion, but it unfortunately has not left like the proverbial lamb. It has instead brought with it the COVID-19 pandemic. I know that we are all dealing with it to the best of our abilities. I find myself taking walks with my grand-dogger and tending to my garden

As for Off Track Gallery, it has caused us to temporarily close our doors to the

At the current time, we are closed until at least April 30, 2020. This is a result of the Governor's mandate that all non-essential businesses cease operations. In the meantime, OTG members are authorized to remove their artwork; however, please note, it is not mandatory that anyone do so. If you choose to remove any of your items, you must wear gloves; and, if you cough or sneeze, please use a tissue or your arm to shield others from germs. If you feel ill or have a fever, do not enter the OTG premises, in an effort to maintain the health and safety of the building for all

OTG premises, in an effort to maintain the health and safety of the building for all entrants. Prior to April 30th, the OTG Board Members will re-evaluate the situation and determine whether it will be necessary to extent the closure period or we can once again resume business operations.

Unfortunately, the Governor's Order also resulted in the cancellation of the OTG Mother's Day Art & Garden Tour. The decision to do so saddened all of us, as it is a highly anticipated show because of the joy it brings to not only the gallery members. but the community. Additionally, it is the most lucrative annual fundraiser hosted by OTG. However, the health and safety of our members and the community is of the utmost importance; as such, it was unavoidable. At this time, there are no plans to reschedule the event nor has there been any discussion about a substitute event later this year. Nonetheless, I am confident that as an organization we will work together to overcome this loss and end the year on a successful note.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you when the self-augrantine period ends. Until that time, please take care of yourselves by maintaining a six-foot social distance from other people, frequently washing your hands, and drinking lots of water.

With warmest thoughts. Linda Melvin President SDAG

"Make each day a masterpiece (even when you're guarantined)!"

President@sandleguitoartguild.com

nmental Painters Schedule

Call Joan Grine 858-525-1482 for more directions and with questions, or email her at: joanjgrine@gmail.com

Nothing scheduled until further notice.



TripAdvisor - Off Track 6

Time on Your Hands?

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Check out the San Dieguito Art Guild / Off Track Gallery website at http://www.offtrackgallery.com

Things are always changing and improving. Here's a fun thing to do to promote the gallery! On the Homepage, click on the TripAdvisor i.con (the owl with glasses) at the top right of the page. It will take you to TripAdvisor. Log in or sign up and leave a review of the gallery. You click on the upper right on the paper and pencil icon to write a review.

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(Write it as a visitor or traveler, not as a member of the guild.) Choose a month in the past for the date you visited, since we are currently closed. Submit your review. It will help drive us to a higher rating and therefore drive traffic in the future.

SDAG Artists - What Have You Been Working On Lately???

We asked and you answered! Thank you to everyone that submitted artwork for this issue of the newsletter. I would like to take credit for this popular venue but Grace Swanson is the person that came up with the idea. Thank you Grace. Please enjoy!

Sharon Hoffman Paint Rag Editor



Karen Fidel - Pottery This is the beginning of a planter box Karen made out of clay that will ultimately hang from driftwood.



Gourd Art by Grace Swanson It is a pairing to be sold (alongside a patient's watercolor) at a live auction as a fund raiser for the San Diego Alzheimer Association.





Soul Portrait of Marilyn Monroe (acrylic on MDF board) by Galina Marcus Inspiration: "It's part of the ongoing series of soul portraits of influential women that explores their personality beyond the conventional biographies. I imagine Marilyn the way she's never going to be but always wanted to be - old and banny, at peace with



Princess Alexandra (oil) by Nasrin Kheiri





Monthly Show Judge for February 25th take-in Susan Avery Clark

Susan Avery Clark's representational and often whimsical watercolors depict visually exciting subjects in her environment and are characterized by strong exciting subjects in ner environment and are characterized by strong swilght/shadow patterns and exaggered color. Her pleasing domestic subjects, tranquil landscapes, bold florals and unique, lively animals, figures and partraits appeal to a wide audience. Clark is an award-winning artist with works in private collections nationwide and in Europe. Although Clark's expertise is watercolor, she is proficient in many other art media and techniques. Her style has been strongly influenced by the brilliant use of color of Wayne Thiebaud and Fritz Scholder and the landscape and figure works of Gauguin, Degas and Cassatt.

Susan Clark currently resides in Escondido, California. She holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Arizona State University and has been teaching art since 1973, She has taught students from age 3 to 90. Susan taught Adult Education art classes for 23 years, then middle and high school art in Vista, CA for 16 years. After retiring as a full-time classroom teacher in 2015 she has enjoyed going back to teaching classes in Painting and Drawing through Escondido Adult School.





Freshwater Multi-colored Dyed Pearl Necklace and Large Flat Natural Color Pearl Pendant with Sterling Silver extender, by Susan Schulte



Portrait of Josi by Bea Gold







Old Highland Ruins (colored pencil) by Kris Thorsten



Ocean Waves by Diane Dudek



My Very Own Vespa (watercolor) by Julie Harris



Mexico Vendor (oil) by David Rickert "From a photo shot in Mexico many years ago"



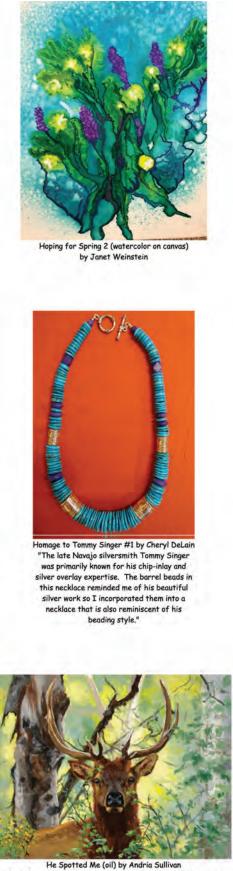
Love My Mom (oil) by Ellen Cramer



Light the Way (art quilt in progress) by Joyce Ford



Jewelry by Gayle Baker (preliminary process using sculpting wax)



He Spotted Me (oil) by Andria Sullivan "Part of a series of paintings about the animals that live on our ranch in Utah. This is a painting that I recently completed. It's going to a gallery in Jackson Hole, Wyoming."



Carlsbad Ranunculus by Nora Dewey



Cards (in progress) by Pat Smart



Bright Day in Poppy Field with Crane Family (digital art) by Clay Harris



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SDAG Member Display at the Encinitas Community Center

Fifteen members of the San Dieguito Art Guild install a show in the Encinitas Community Center, Encinitas

The title of this show is "Yes, No, Wow!" The participants, Jeffrey R. Brosbe, Karen Fidel, Cam Baher, Gayle Baker, Jill Ballard, Debi Buffington, Kathy Bush, Cheryl DeLain, Nora Dewey, Cheryl Ehlers, Sharon Hoffman, Linda Melemed, Diane O'Connell, Grace Swanson and Nancy Atherton-West, share their individual artistic passions: pottery, paintings, jewelry, wood, and photography.

The show, which consists of 40 pieces of original artwork, is installed in the lighted cabinet in the hallway of the Community Center, 1140 Oakcrest Park Drive, Encinitas, and runs from now until Wednesday, April 22. The CommunityCenter is normally open Monday through Saturday, 8:00 am - 10:00 pm and Sunday, 12:00 - 5:00 pm. The Community Center phone number is (760) 943-2260. This exhibit is free and open to the public. Most pieces in the show are for sale and available by contacting the artists directly. Contact information is listed on a small card next to each piece.

The San Dieguito Art Guild is dedicated to furthering artistic understanding and fostering artistic growth of members and the community at large by promoting interest, education, knowledge and skills in the visual arts.

The free 8-week show is part of the Civic Art Program which is an initiative of the Encinitas Commission for the Arts.

Website for the San Dieguito Art Guild is <u>SanDieguitoArtGuild.com</u>. For questions or more information: <u>pr@SanDieguitoArtGuild.com</u>



SDAG members Jill Ballard, Nora Dewey, Grace Swanson, Cheryl Ehlers, Karen Fidel, Cam Baher, Diane O'Connell, and Cheryl DeLain installed the show at the Community Center. Missing are Gayle Baker, Jeffrey R. Brosbe, Debi Buffington, Kathy Bush, Sharon Hoffman, Nancy Atherton-West, and Linda Melemed.

Artist Opportunity

Friends of the Cardiff Library - Looking for Artists

They display a different local artist's work every quarter. Most of the artists will do a reception and the art is available for purchase. There is no charge but you must be approved by their Board Member Susan Hayes.

Contact her at: susanhayes@cox.net or 760-634-3558.

NEW Online Watercolor Classes with Jayne Spencer

Learn to paint watercolor! Bring more creativity and joy into your life! Anyone can learn to paint watercolor, learning the proper skills and techniques and I'm an award-winning artist who's taught watercolor for 11 years. Enjoy painting at home, on your own schedule!

For more information or to enroll for an online watercolor class at: JayneSpencerWatercolor.com

Check out my Youtube videos!

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id Staffer List for the Off Tro

When there is a need for a Gallery staffer to get someone to take their place to work in the Off Track Gallery the following rules apply:

*Artists are to pay \$40 Staffing Fee for a 4-hour shift. *Payment is not done through the Gallery or SDAG. It is an Artist to Artist transaction. *Paid staff must have specific staffing qualifications before becoming Paid Sitters. * FUTURE PAID STAFF ARE LISTED ONLY AFTER APPROVAL FROM THE CALENDAR COMMITTEE & GALLERY MANAGER.

List of the Off Track Gallery Approved Paid Staff:

Doreen Long 858-487-3672 (home) Laura Lowenstein 760-753-3254 (home) or 760-450-5055 (cell) Charlene Mecker 760-917-5075 Kate O'Brien 760-726-8737 (home) Dave Rickert 218-894-1187 Devera Safran 619-954-5099 (cell) (anly Thursday or Sunday) Judy Salinsky 760-807-0727 Susan Schulte 760-944-8874 (home) or 760-406-1953 (cell) needs advance notice Judianes Shannon 760-753-7088 (home) or 760-936-6124 (cell) Grace Swanson 760-805-0434 (cell)

If you need additional help or have special circumstances or wish to be on the list of qualified staffers, please notify one of the Gallery Calendar Co-Chairs to discuss.



Big Shoes to Fill (oil on wood) by Darlene Katz "Here is a painting I recently finished. I was hoping to enter it in the Fair this year. The theme of the Fair is "Heroes Unite" and that was my inspiration for this painting."

Reception

Saturday April 11 4-9pm

937 S. Coast Hwy 101 Encinitas Lumberyard Shopping Center BEHIND St. Tropez & Starbucks



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Notice to our customers

The Off Track Gallery will be closed until end of May

Mother's Day Weekend 2020 Art, Garden, and Studio Tour is cancelled

OFF TRACK GALLERY San Dieguito Art Guild, Est. 1965

Hope to see you on our 2021 tour!

San Dieguito Art Guild Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes via ZOOM online conference April 24, 2020

Call to order: 10:00 by Linda Melvin, President

IN ATTENDANCE: Jeff Brosbe, Deborah Buffington, Ellen Cramer, Cheryl Ehlers, Karen Fidel, Julie Harris, Carol Korfin, Linda Melemed, Linda Melvin, Terry Oshrin, Lily Pourat, Judy Salinsky, Grace Swanson, Nancy Atherton West, Cheryl DeLain.

ABSENT: Sandy Heath, Sharon Hoffman, Marrisa Wright.

<u>President's Notes -</u> Linda Melvin thanked everyone for participating in our first ever Zoom teleconference and wished everyone good health during the global COVID 19 pandemic.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Linda Melemed presented the financial report summarizing that on April 31st, 2020, SDAG had total cash on hand of \$121,600. Net profit Year to Date is \$3,351. Year to date income is a loss of \$8,443 compared to an \$18,623 loss for the same period last year. Linda also noted that since the gallery has been closed due to the COVID 19 virus, all expenses through April have been paid and she closed the books for April.

Motion: Karen Fidel moved to accept the Treasurer's Report; Carol Korfin seconded. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

<u>Secretary's Report</u> - Carol Korfin noted a correction to the February meeting minutes regarding website rebuilding which has been incorporated for the record.

Motion - Karen Fidel moved to accept the February minutes; Jeff Brosbe seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

<u>Special Topic: Bylaws Update by Resolution</u> - Cheryl DeLain joined this special meeting to advise the Board on a proposed change to our Guild bylaws regarding the definition of a "quorum" of the membership. A signed copy of the Resolution is attached at the end of these minutes.

Motion - Karen Fidel moved to amend the Bylaws by resolution to define a "quorum" of the membership as 15%. Grace Swanson seconded; the motion was approved unanimously.

<u>SpecialTopic: Nominating Committee</u> - Linda Melvin announced the need to set up a nominating committee for the coming year's Board of Directors. The nominating committee is made up of one board member and two others from the membership. Grace Swanson will fill the role from the Board. The open positions are: President, Treasurer, Gallery Manager, Fundraising Chair, Newsletter Editor, and Co-Calendar Chair (to share this job with two others remaining in their current role as such). Carol Korfin will fill the Parliamentarian position next year. Cheryl Ehlers noted that she needs a co-chair for the Monthly Show role and Judy Salinsky offered to fill that role.

<u>Special Topic: Wall and Floor Rental Fees</u> - With the Gallery closed for an unknown period of time due to COVID 19, the financial viability of the Guild could be in jeopardy. The Board discussed the pros and cons of numerous options to keep the gallery afloat until such time as we can open and reestablish a stream of income. The discussion focused on how to handle

wall and floor rental fees, and also create easy ways that members and customers can donate to the Guild during this difficult time. It was agreed that two <u>communications</u> would go out - one to all members, the other to renters. These email communications are included at the end of these minutes for reference.

<u>Special Topic: COVID 19 related available grants/loans</u> - Cheryl DeLain has been asked by the Board to lead a discussion for the understanding and voting upon available special small business grants and loans the government is offering during this time that could help the Guild bridge the gap financially until such time as we can reopen.

The first grant/loan is called the Economic Income Disaster Loan (EIDL). At the time the EIDL was first rolled out by the SBA, up to \$10,000 of the loan would be considered a grant as long as the money was spent on rent and utilities. Any loan amounts over \$10,000 were to be repaid at a rate of 2.75% (for non-profits) over a 30 year period with no pre-payment penalty. Our By Laws require a unanimous vote by the Board in order to incur an "indebtedness". Therefore the Board voted first for the grant and then for the loan in two separate votes.

The board discussed setting a maximum amount of the EIDL loan amount to limit our liability. Because the majority of our revenue comes from the annual Mothers Day tour (which was cancelled this year due to COVID 19) the board agreed to set the maximum amount for the loan at \$20K which is our typical income from the event.

Motion - Carol Korfin made a motion to apply for/accept the EIDL grant; Judy Salinsky seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion - Carol Korfin made a motion to apply for the EIDL loan in a maximum amount of \$20K. Also if SDAG is approved for the loan, bring the topic of accepting and use of the loan back to the board for discussion and approval; Nancy West seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

The second available small business loan is the Payroll Protection Program (PPP) which is a vehicle to allow payment to employees and those entities who receive a 1099. These loans come from participating banks, in our case US bank. The interest rate is 1%. The loan could be forgiven if the Guild can provide documentation showing that the funds were used properly. The board discussed aspects of the liability this could create for the Guild and specifically those board members who would be required to sign for such a loan with our bank. Another unclear issue would be how the funds could be disbursed fairly to "pay employees" in our case. It was agreed and decided that this loan vehicle is not appropriate for our Guild and should not be pursued.

Gallery ReOpening - because of the unknowns relating to government guidance going forward in allowing businesses to reopen, the board agreed to take a stepwise approach and at this time agree to remain closed through May.

Motion - Ellen Cramer made a motion to remain closed through May; Karen Fidel seconded. The motion was carried unanimously.

Motion - Carol Korfin moved to adjourn the meeting; Linda Melvin seconded. Meeting adjourned at 2:59.

Submitted by Nancy Atherton West, Secretary

26th Annual Mother's Day Weekend Art, Garden & Studio Tour

> Sat & Sun May 9 & 10 • 10am to 4pm

Tickets good for both days • Self driving tour • Homes in Encinitas • Refreshments • 10% of net proceeds go to college students

Tickets \$30 OffTrackGallery.com Available early April

Off Track Gallery 937 So. Coast Hwy. 101 Suite C-103, Encinitas (Lumberyard Shopping Center) 760-942-3636 10am to 4pm

SAN DIEGUITO ART GUILD



MASK mandatory to enter gallery

If you do not have one, we will supply one for you

Use hand sanitizer provided before entering

Please maintain 6 feet physical distance from other shoppers

CREDIT CARDS ONLY No Cash

Notice to our customers

The Off Track Gallery will be closed until further notice and when permission is granted for our category of business to re-open with every precaution taken for our staff and customers.

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San Dieguito Art Guild Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes via ZOOM online conference May 21, 2020

Call to order: 10:05 by Linda Melvin, President

IN ATTENDANCE: Jeff Brosbe, Deborah Buffington, Ellen Cramer, Cheryl Ehlers, Karen Fidel,, Carol Korfin, Linda Melemed, Linda Melvin, Terry Oshrin, Lily Pourat, Grace Swanson, Nancy Atherton West.

ABSENT: Julie Harris, Sandy Heath, Sharon Hoffman, Marrisa Wright.

<u>President's Notes</u> - Linda Melvin opened the meeting by leading a discussion of how to handle rotation fees for wall and floor renters. She said she has had a number of phone calls from members expressing concern about paying their fees when the gallery is closed. (Note that all artists displaying currently in the gallery are paid for April/May; payment would normally be due this month for June/July).

Many options were discussed including asking for full payment and seeing if any artists respond saying they cannot or wish not to pay and handling each on a case by case basis. Another option discussed was allowing for payment per month instead of for the two month period as is normal. Also discussed were only asking for 1/2 of the normal fees, and asking the broader membership for donations because the wall and floor members should perhaps not shoulder the bulk of the financial burden while closed.

It was noted that since we sent the email asking for financial support due to the pandemic with a link for donating, \$730 has been received so far from members and customers.

There was a long companion discussion regarding how concerned we should be about our solvency at this time and how we should communicate with our membership. Jeff Brosbe expressed his unease with the level of much of the Board's concern over the financial situation, feeling that we can sustain the gallery longer than other Board members feel is possible. Linda Melemed had the opportunity to clarify the details of some accounts, which are not as liquid as they may seem if we wish to keep the interest levels at the current rate. Other members reminded the Board about the length of our lease (5 years) and how we would need to be prepared financially if we were to face bankruptcy at some point during those 5 years and have to hire an attorney to break the lease.

Carol Korfin reviewed the results of the survey that had previously been sent out to display artists asking their feelings about payment of rotation fees during this time. Carol reported that the majority are willing to pay their full fees.

In terms of communication, Jeff Brosbe expressed concern about offering many options for payment or non-payment or staffing for another person instead of payment, saying that it may encourage people not to pay or to staff instead of paying.

Carol Korfin reported that the Gallery Committee proposed that a possible target date to open would be June 15 which would give time to get art down, clean the gallery per government guidelines, and rehang the art while maintaining social distancing. Carol added however that she has strong concerns about opening and the safety for our members that would come back to staff there.

Cheryl Ehlers reviewed the city of Encinitas published guidelines (copied to the board prior to the meeting) for reopening. She described the steps as 1) Clean the gallery, 2) Require customers to wear face masks and maintain 6 foot social distance, and 3) Require staffers to wear face masks and maintain social distance.

Cheryl Ehlers also stated that the Guild must disclose our Form 990 financial report because she had heard from some members expressing concern about asking for full payment while we are closed because we have a \$100,000 savings account. Linda Melemed replied that the President gives a full financial report to the entire membership at the annual meeting every year, and a copy of the Form 990 report is always in the gallery and can be reviewed.

Back to the topic of re-opening the gallery, Cheryl Ehlers continued by saying we need a Safety Officer to sign the paperwork that is required to be displayed at the gallery door when we re-open certifying that we have and are following the City of Encinitas safety and cleanliness guidelines and she offered to take that role and sign the paperwork.

Carol Korfin asked specifically are there guidelines regarding whether those persons that have been defined as "vulnerable" (over 65, those with underlying health conditions, those with compromised immune systems) should come back to work. Cheryl Ehlers said no, once again reviewing the city guidelines.

The Board discussed the steps to reopen in terms of cleaning staff, gloves, hand sanitizer, wipes, and moving to credit card only transactions.

Grace Swanson proposed a timeline for preparing to re-open as the following: all art out of the gallery by May 31st; clean the gallery June 1st to 2nd; rehang art while maintaining social distance June 3rd to 7th; a soft opening June 8th to 14th; and full reopening on June 15th. Grace will send an email with this information (or similar) to all board members for their feedback.

Karen Fidel asked if we know if the bathroom is open? Linda Melvin will contact the landlord and find out when the bathrooms will be cleaned and open. Many agreed we cannot open without a bathroom!

The discussion moved to the Monthly Show. Cheryl Ehlers said she will coordinate the take down of the current work with Lily Pourat and Debi Buffington. Cheryl continued that the walls would remain empty for the second half of June with Monthly shows resuming in July. Cheryl added that the take in will be streamlined to fewer workers in order to maintain social distance and that payment would need to be done online with registration. She continued that we need a paypal button with no specified amount that would link the member to paypal where they would enter what they owe. Also monthly volunteer jobs would need to be signed up for online.

<u>Secretary's Report</u> - Nancy West noted she would change the reference to "two" communications to members in the last meeting minutes to "one".

Motion - Karen Fidel moved to accept the previous month's minute; Linda Melemed seconded. The minutes from April were approved unanimously.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Linda Melemed reported that on April 30th, 2020, we had total cash on hand of \$121,988. Artist sales year to date for the month ended April 30th were \$51,626 down from the prior year sales of \$61,256. Net loss Year to date is \$8,147 compared to the prior year loss of \$18,623. The \$10,000 difference from the prior year is due to \$7,000 in Mother's Day

expensed from the prior year and \$1,000 in loss of art sales commission and loss of Mother's Day artist fees.

Linda reported she was pleased to see on our bank statement but the government had deposited a \$1000 EIDL grant. Linda also reminded the board that there is government Pandemic Assistance for those that are self employed. The details of this program had been sent out to all members.

Linda also reported that the Guild has received a notice that we are listed as a creditor in a bankruptcy settlement of Lambert, owner of BK Books. She noted that she would contact Cheryl DeLain as to how to proceed.

Motion: Jeff Brosbe moved to accept the Treasurer's Report; Karen Fidel seconded. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

<u>Membership</u> - Linda Melemed brought up the fact that the Guild was planning to raise the membership dues this August and suggested that we could offer a prepayment incentive to drive some near term cash flow. The Board discussed the fact that we have not raised dues in two years, and that the family membership add on of \$25 is too low. Also discussed was when to communicate this and all agreed we should wait until the gallery is open and things are beginning to settle down.

Motion - Karen Fidel made a motion for the SDAG to raise single member dues from \$95 to \$105 as of September 1st, the family level membership be raised to \$150, and that a prepayment incentive option at the current dues rate for single and family memberships would be offered if payment is received before September 1st. Jeff Brosbe seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

<u>Publicity/Nomination Committee</u> - Grace Swanson reported that she had discontinued the Coast News advertisement and would reinstate it in a couple weeks.

Grace continue with progress of the Nominating Committee saying they have a few "maybes", but not all positions are filled at this time. They have "maybes" for Treasurer, Co-Gallery Chair, and Co-Monthly Show Chair.

<u>Calendar</u> - Carol Korfin told the board that Bea Gold is making and selling face masks with the proceeds going to the gallery.

Carol continued that the Gallery Committee foresees a slow start when reopening, and had considered shorter hours but will wait to see what happens. She added that they are eliminating overlapping shifts for training and also the later summer hours. Training methods will need to be addressed as well in light of required social distancing.

<u>Website</u> - Carol Korfin reported that to save costs we are in a holding pattern now and that we will support any breaks or issues with the website but not spending on improvements.

<u>Floor Chair Report</u> - Lily Pourat reported that we have one new person coming onto the floor. She continued that we have one open cube. Some artists want to sell face masks, and we also have identified a company that will make face masks with our artwork on them if we would like. Lily confirmed that she would be coordinating the take out of art with the other Chairs (Debi Buffington and Cheryl Ehlers) in order to maintain social distance, and that the virtual jewelry sales platform is up and running.

<u>Jobs Chair Report</u> - Jeff Brosbe reported that he has been watching changes in the Board and floor and wall renters is looking at needs for new jobs. Jeff asked to be kept up to date on

floor and wall renter changes going forward as well as any changes from the Nominating Committee.

<u>Gallery Manager Report</u> - Terry reported that she will manage the cleaning of the gallery with our current service when we agree on the exact dates.

<u>Monthly Show Chair Report</u> - Cheryl Ehlers will work with Carol Korfin to get the paypal button needed on the website for payment of monthly show fees. Cheryl also confirmed she will be changing staffing for take in day and will work with Jeff Brosbe as to how this affects jobs.

Cheryl Ehlers reported that she will eliminate professional judges for now thus saving the gallery \$100 per month. The judging will be done on a point system that is used by the San Diego County Fair and the Refections program.

Cheryl Ehlers expressed her strong opinion against adding more art to the Monthly show as suggested by the Gallery Committee, stating that this would mean displaying art too low on the wall, or in less than ideal lighting and she feels this is unfair to the artists.

Motion - Karen Fidel made a motion to adjourn; Linda Melemed seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00

Submitted by Nancy Atherton West, Secretary

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The Calendar Committee is working on a way to accomplish staffing shift sign-ups for June and July (which would have been done at rotation at the end of March), closer to when we decide on our reopen date. Watch for a notice through the Calendar Staffing Notice program.

LAPTOP COMPUTER NEEDED

The Gallery is looking for an unloved laptop computer that needs a new home. The computer must have Excel loaded on it. Will be used for Monthly Show take-ins, Donation only,

Please contact the Cheryl Ehlers, Monthly Show Chair at: MonthlyShow@sandieguitoartguild.com

SDAG Website - User Name and Password Change

SDAG Website and Staffing Calendar User Name / Password Change

Username & Password CHANGED AS OF Feb 1, 2020. Enter it in your phone under SDAG so you will always have it! Or take a picture of it and save on your phone!

Changed annually so only current members can access our Members Only section of website and Staffing Calendar.

Same user name and password for both sites. New User Name : MemberSDAG2020 New Password: Offtrack#2020

Message from SDAG President

The beautiful month of May is here and ushering in warm and sunny days. When I was a child. I placed hand-made paper baskets with flowers and candy on my friends' and neighbors' doorsteps each May Day. Then, I rang the doorbell and ran away before they could see me. It was such a fun way to welcome Spring. While we cannot dance around the May Pole this year, we can still bring cheer to our neighbors and friends by re-enacting



my childhood memory of ring and dash May Day "basketing."

As I mentioned in last month's newsletter, Off Track Gallery will be closed until at least April 30, 2020, based on the Governor's mandate that all non-essential businesses cease operations. At the current time, he has not indicated a date when these businesses may resume. As such, we will continue to monitor for any updates and changes in the Governor's mandate; and, amend our operations accordingly. Regardless, the OTG will remain closed until June 1, 2020.

of closure. Finally, we are considering strategies to advertise the OTG and maintain its relevancy in the community. For instance, Judy Salinsky has been using Facebook to promote OTG members' artwork. Grace Swanson is also sending out information about the gallery on Constant Contact.

In the meantime, the most important thing is that we all remain safe and healthy. Then, when the time comes, we will all be ready to tackle the challenges that lay ahead of us!

Environmental Painters Schedul

Linda Melvin SDAG President "Make each day a masterpiece!"

President@sandleguitoartguild.com



Nothing scheduled until further notice.



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Time on Your Hands?

Check out the San Dieguito Art Guild / Off Track Gallery website at http://www.offtrackgallery.com

Things are always changing and improving. Here's a fun thing to do to promote the galleryl On the Homepage, click on the TripAdvisor icon (the owl with glasses) at the top right of the page. It will take you to TripAdvisor. Log in or sign up and leave a review of the gallery. You click on the upper right on the paper and pencil icon to write a review.

(Write it as a visitor or traveler, not as a member of the guild.) Choose a month in the past for the date you visited, since we are currently closed. Submit your review. It will help drive us to a higher rating and therefore drive traffic in the future.

Mother's Day Tour 2020 Artists

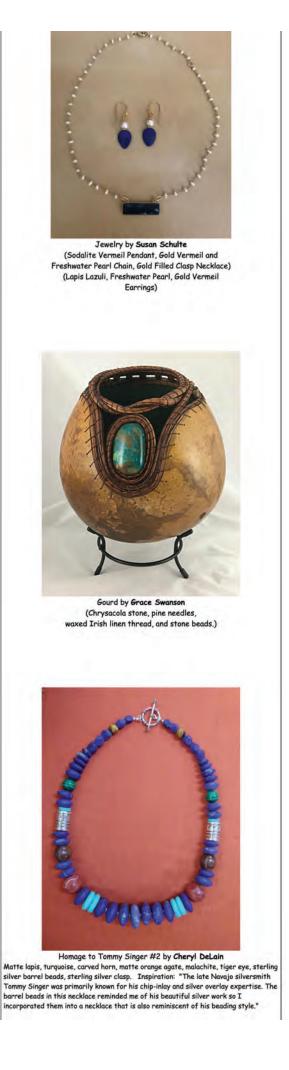
w are examples of artwork of most of the artists that were sched participate in the San Dieguito Art Guild's Mother's Day Tour for 2020. Enjoy their workd And hopefully we will all be able to have our tour next year and it will be bigger and better than ever.

Sharon Hoffman Mother's Day Tour Chair 2020



e Bowl by Deborah Buffington (Deep fired dark green and yellow enamel bowl with hand sculpted verdigris copper wire stand. Leaves are thin copper sheeting soldered onto 6 gauge wire)









Crocheted Eyeglass Lanyards by Cindy Alcoset



Cactus and Me by Marsha Rafter



Bataquitos (oil) by Toni Williams



Ceramic Art by Susan Harris





Three Great Giraffes (fused glass) by Carol Korfin





Welcoming Committee (oil on panel) by Nora Dewey







Mother's Day Tour 2020 Artist's Tribute to Their Mothers

"Martha Louise Peterson Seger, my mother, left for Africa at the age of 26 to become a teacher and a medical missionary to the people of Nigeria. She lived there until forced retirement at the age of 72. Caring. Generous. Steadfast. Motherly. Saint."

Grace Anne (Seger) Swanson



"My mother Diane Hewitson, was an incredibly positive person, and at a time like this, when all seems so uncertain, I think of her. She used to sing to me the verse from an old song, 'Look for the silver lining, whenever clouds appear in the sky'. I am grateful for all she taught me through song, love, and example."

Jennifer Hewitson

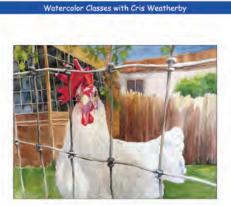


Jennifer Hewitson's Mom (Jennifer on the right, her sister Laurie 3 years older on the left)

Some of my most treasured memories of my mom were our walks around her neighborhood in LA where she would stop and admire everyone's gardens and flowers. It filled her with such joy to see things blooming and she passed that love of nature on to me."

Judi Pheiffer





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Paid Staffer List for the Off Track

When there is a need for a Gallery staffer to get someone to take their place to work in the Off Track Gallery the following rules apply:

Artists are to pay \$40 Staffing Fee for a 4-hour shift. Payment is not done through the Gallery or SDAG. It is an Artist to Artist transaction. *Paid staff must have specific staffing qualifications before becoming Paid Sitters. * FUTURE PAID STAFF ARE LISTED ONLY AFTER APPROVAL FROM THE CALENDAR COMMITTEE & GALLERY MANAGER

List of the Off Track Gallery Approved Paid Staff:

Doreen Long 858-487-3672 (home) Laura Lowenstein 760-753-3254 (home) or 760-450-5055 (cell) Charlene Meeker 760-917-5075 Kate O'Brien 760-726-8737 (home) Dave Rickert 218-894-1187 Devora Safran 619-954-5099 (cell) (only Thursday or Sunday) Judy Salinsky 760-807-0727 Susan Schulte 760-944-8874 (home) or 760-906-1953 (cell) needs advance notice Judianne Shannon 760-753-7088 (home) or 760-936-6124 (cell) Grace Swanson 760-805-0434 (cell)

If you need additional help or have special circumstances or wish to be on the list of qualified staffers, please notify one of the Gallery Calendar Co-Chairs to discuss.







Torrey Pine (steel and fused glass) by Mark Rafter

Stop and Smell the Roses (oil) by Judi Pheiffer





Judi Pheiffer's Mom



"My wonderful mother is no longer with us but I would like to honor her. She is the reason that I choose nature as my inspiration for photography. She is also the inspiration for my striving to be more than I think I can be. She was one of the first women doctors in the State of Illinois. She was told to guit because she was taking a man's place. She was told that she would only guit in the future to have bables. Well she worked until the age of 55 when she retired."

"Happy Mother's Day Mom. I honor your memory."

Margot Carrera

"My mother, Thyrza Frances Godby, was a pioneer for all women; and, I was incredibly proud to be her daughter. She was born in 1914 and came of age when women did not work outside of the home. However, her remarkable intelligence resulted in her being awarded a university scholarship; and, she ultimately flourished in a male-dominated industry. She served as a juvenile probation officer, as well as a social worker for abused and neglected children for 44 years.

Her commitment to her profession was only rivaled by her dedication to her family. She created a welcoming home most exemplified by her cooking. Whenever our family reminisces about mom or "grandma," it is inevitable that each of us will mention memories of our favorite of her culinary creations, like fried dressing, wild rice casserole, beef roulettes, or frozen pistachio custard.

I am always touched when I recall that after I moved away from home, I always received a special delivery from her of my favorite holiday cookies each Christmas. Additionally, my mother was a talented and creative person. She taught ballroom dancing and made the most beautiful, graceful partner to my handsome father.

Painting of all varieties was a mutual pursuit that we enjoyed throughout the majority of our lives. In the early days of learning to paint, my mother and I took china painting courses together. I am fortunate to have those early pieces to remind me of those cherished times with my mather from so many years ago."

Linda Melvin



Linda Melvin's Mom

"My Mother, Fran Van Hoy (seen in the picture with her husband and the latest areat grandchild) is 84 years old and living in Menifee, CA. When I was in second grade, I remember her walking me down the street to a neighbor's house to take art lessons. That was the beginning of her supporting my lifelong passion for making things. The only thing that has changed is that now she expects me to 'donate' art work to her since "I'll be getting it back anyway!" Thank you Mom ... love you lots! "

Mark Rafter





(with her husband and great grandchild)

Artist Opportunity
Friends of the Cardiff Library - Looking for Artists

They display a different local artist's work every quarter. Most of the artists will do a reception and the art is available for purchase. There is no charge but you must be approved by their Board Member Susan Hayes.

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Contact her at: susanhayes@cox.net or 760-634-3558.



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Mother's Day Weekend 2020 Art, Garden & Studio Tour May 9 & 10 10am to 4pm

Everything was done and finished for the tour this year and then the Mother's Day tour was cancelled at the very last minute by Covid 19 so this booklet was never printed.



The San Dieguito Art Guild was organized in 1965 by a group of twelve enthusiastic artists who lived in the San Dieguito area (which includes the coastal cities located between Del Mar and Carlsbad). Their purpose was to promote greater understanding and appreciation of fine art within their community.

Presently the guild of more than 200 members owns and operates the Off Track Gallery, located in downtown Encinitas in the Lumberyard Shopping Center. It is open daily from 10am to 6pm with extended weekend hours during the summer. Thank you for your patronage.

Want to give us suggestions, comments or the opportunity to showcase your garden in 2021? Email: sdagmothersday@sandieguitoartguild.com

Many thanks to our team of volunteers who made this year's Mother's Day Weekend Art, Garden, & Studio Tour a success. Event Chair: Sharon Hoffman, Committee: Carol Korfin, Grace Swanson, Linda Melvin, Karen Fidel, Virginia Ann Holt. Graphics: Donna Butnik, Home descriptions: Lin Holzinger, Greeter training: Laura Lowenstein

And each guest artist on the tour for taking on individual jobs to make the event a success.

Artist and Host Home number

| Bruce Norton 8 Judiai Carol Korfin 2 Judy Cheryl DeLain 1 Julie Christina Zeller 4 Karen Cindy Alcoset 8 Kert 8 Debora Buffington 7 Lilly F Diann Abadie 6 Linda Dolores Renner 2 Margg Grace Swanson 5 Mark Jennifer Hewitson 4 Muffy Jill Treadwell Svendsen 1 Nora | Pheiffer 1 nne Shannon 2 Salinsky 1 Harris 6 Fidel 7 Vicky Jans 1 Ourat 2 Melvin 7 to Carrera 2 Rafter 7 va Rafter 7 va Rafter 7 John Peugh 6 Dewey 8 Jara 4 | Susan Schulte T.E.R.i. Terry Oshrin Toni Williams Twink Bumann Ursula Schroter |
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his Olivenhain ranch has recently been recognized Judy Salinsky as a California historic site. This is great news for the T.E.R.i. Baumann family since they've been caring for this ranch



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for more than 125 years. You'll find a lovely, up-to-date family home here along with other long time residents like their favorite steer, Mr. T, a California desert tortoise (who shall remain nameless), a requisite gathering of barnyard chickens, plus a flock of hummingbirds that owners Twink and Richard feed regularly. Twink will also have her table top guilts, a variety of fabric goods, plus her homemade jams &

jellies for sale. Of course, exhibiting artists will be eager to show and discuss the original artwork they'll have on display like hand painted silk clothing, jewelry, oil paintings, and bronze sculptures.

Jill Treadwell Svendsen Landscapes & Still Life in Oil JillTreadwellSvendsen.com lillTreadwell@cox.net

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Every time I open my studio door, I can hear creative voices from all directions. "Start with me first!" "No, over here!"

I am dríven to the sea to quiet those voices, so I may have a clear focus as to the next step in my artistic process.

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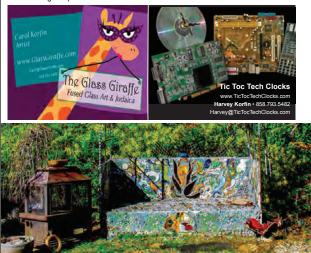
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Pourat 3101 Circa de Tierra 2

Artists Judianne Shannon Rosemary Valente Margot Carrera Carol Korfin Dolores Renner Lilly Pourat

avish displays of pottery, ceramics, sculpture and glass adorn this lovely homestead. Our host, a well-known potter and pottery teacher, will be pleased to show you around. Her new studio is open so you can watch demonstrations, play with clay or ask to try your hand at her potter's wheel. While you're at it, take notice of the succulent topiary adorned with her hand made tiles. Garden delights include fruiting trees from Pakistan, Russia, and Palestine. You'll also discover that our exhibiting artists have one-of-a-kind paintings, photography, and fused glass pieces for sale.

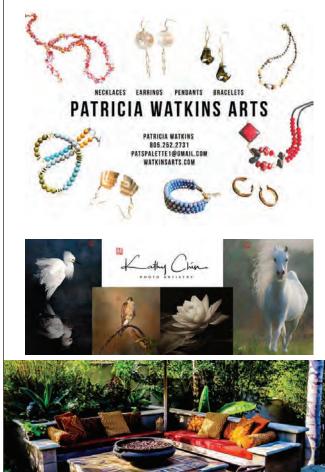


Bumann Ranch 3666 Bumann Road 1

Artists Virginia Holt Cheryl DeLain

Judi Pheiffer Kert & Vicky Jans Jill Treadwell Svendsen



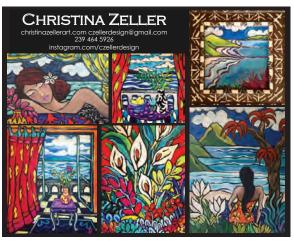






Artists Jennifer Hewitson Pam Jara Sarwat Suleiman Christina Zeller

Back by popular demand, this is the beautifully designed home of a world Btraveling artist and her architect spouse. It's an ideal example of casual San Diego indoor/outdoor living with hand carved wood, ceramic and textile pieces displayed throughout. There's a new artist studio to peek into as well as a variety of Guild artists to meet who will be showing and selling their original works of art. An added bonus for car buffs - there may be "Woodies" on display in the lower garden outside their automobile restoration garage.





GEMSTONES

PEARLS PRECIOUS METALS WIRE WRAPPED DESIGNS

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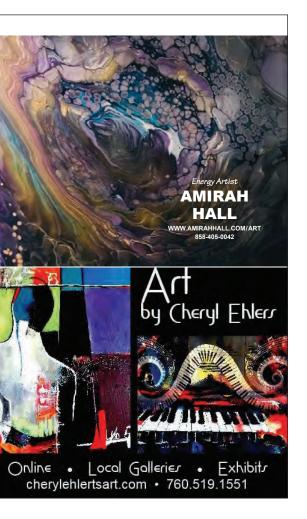
Julie Harris





Upon arriving, you'll notice right away that our hosts share a love of art. He's the creator of large, recycled resin sculptures, most famously custom surf fins; she's an enamelist who weaves and fuses copper and glass to create one of a kind sculptural pieces. He works out of their garage, she has a backyard studio, you'll be able to peek into both. Also, you'll want to keep a look out for their distinctive hanging planters brimming with a variety of succulents and cactus. You'll also find that our exhibiting Guild artists will have their own unique artworks on display such as ceramics, mixed media, watercolors and jewelry





7 Eckberg 505 Orpheus Leucadia

Artists Debora Buffingtor Karen Fidel Linda Melvin Mark Rafter Marsha Rafter



One of the hosts here is a docent at the San Diego Botanic Garden, so her in-depth knowledge helped when they decided to redesigned the garden of this eclectic mid-century beach bungalow. You're sure to see a kaleidoscope of butterflies as well as a colorful display of subtropical plantings. We're told that this is a happy, fun place, ideally suited to showcase the works of our Guild artists. Look for paintings, jewelry, sculpture, mosaics, ceramics, and pottery.



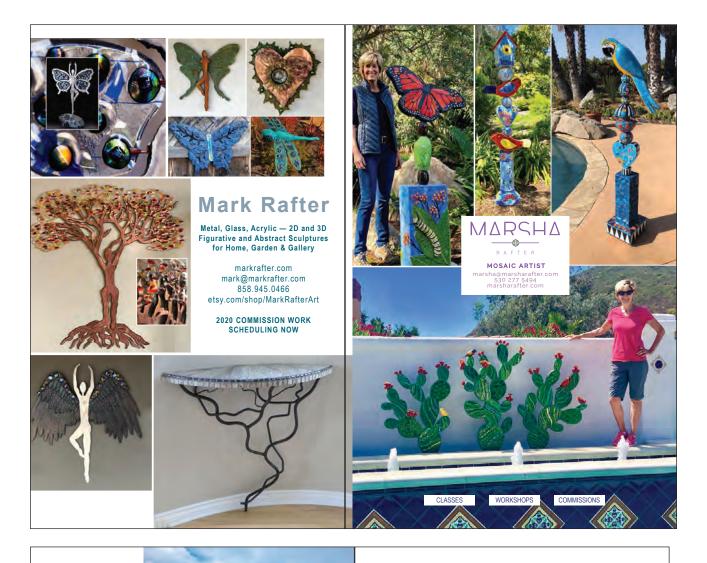
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Artists Cindy Alcoset Nora Dewey Terry Oshrin Bruce Norton Soravia Collection



This concrete home, situated on almost an acre in central Leucadia, boasts a 180 degree ocean view as well as a see-through home interior with garage style roll-up doors that open the living space onto an expansive patio area. Owner, "Jammin Stan" and his wife make the most of their garden (more than 30 fruit trees, a veggie and herb garden) by selling his tantalizingly unique jams both sweet and spicy. They also host culinary classes that bring together students with local chefs and instructors several times a year. Guild artist will be stationed throughout the back garden area with fine art and handmade crafts for sale.





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Want to hear more about the guild's events? Send your name and email address to pr@sandieguitoartguild.com to be added to our list of friends.

Would you like your home to be considered for the 2021 tour? Please contact sdagmothersday@sandieguitoartguild.com • Within 15 miles

This booklet is your ticket, It is good on both days.

The San Dieguito Art Guild is a non-profit, 501(c)3 organization. They own and operate the Off Track Gallery 937 South Coast Highway 101 Suite C-103 Encinitas, CA 92024 Off Track Gallery.com San Dieguito Art Guild.com 760-942-3636

PLEASE PRESENT AT EACH HOME FOR ENTRY.



NEW SAFETY PROCEDURES FOR OPERATING GALLERY DURING COVID19

All staffers will be asked to sign a **guidelines sheet** recommended by County of San Diego. All staff will either **take their own temperature** before coming to staff or ascertain that they do not have COVID19 symptoms (cough, shortness of breath, trouble breathing, or two of the following – fever, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell). All staffers will **wear a mask** when at gallery and will follow all procedures which the Gallery has from the County of San Diego and will have posted on the front door. We will not have overlapping shifts or summer late hours this year.

- 1. Don't use binders unless absolutely necessary. (If you have to use them, clean cover and pages [this will smear] with a disinfectant wipe after use)
- Don't use Member Directory. On side cart, under the plastic will be a list of all members and their phone numbers to use when calling member after a sale is made and to call next day staffers. USE YOUR OWN CELL PHONE RATHER THAN THE GALLERY PHONE.
- Under the glass on the desk will be these procedures and calendars, as well as instructions for cleaning credit card machine. Leave them under the glass.
 DO NOT SPRAY LIQUID ON CREDIT CARD MACHINE.
- 4. Don't use nametags.
- 5. We will not be taking any cash sales, only credit/debit card sales. Let customer insert own card when it asks for credit or debit card.
- 6. We will not enter sales into sales log for this time period. When a staffer staffs, they can check the pink copy of the old sales receipt books, which will be left in the side cart drawer.
- 7. It will probably be very slow in the gallery. If you want to bring something to read or do during the time no customers are in the gallery that is OK for now, as long as no customers are in the gallery.

WHEN YOU ENTER GALLERY IN THE MORNING:

- 1. Have your mask on and keep it on.
- 2. Bring lock box and key in with you and open door all the way.
- 3. Turn on lights and unlock back door.
- 4. Wear rubber glove when you use a disinfectant wipe to clean key, lockbox, door handles, light switches, frame of sign desktop, top of desk and side cart, desk drawers fronts and handles and side car drawer/door fronts and handles, and pens & pen holders, stapler, calculator and tape dispenser on the desk. Put sign out front.

- 5. In back office if you use computer, wipe with a disinfectant wipe as well as file drawer handles or safe handle.
- 6. Wash your hands in back office at sink. Soap and paper towels will be by sink, along with trash container with plastic liner. (Happy Birthday twice!) ONLY STAFF CAN WASH HANDS IN BACK OFFICE, CUSTOMERS WILL NEED TO USE RESTROOM FACILITIES.

WHEN CUSTOMERS COME IN: There will be a sign on the on the door with government and our guidelines. Door will be left open. No more than 10 customers allowed in at one time. Floor will be marked with safe distance markers [how?]. A station will be set up at entry to gallery or next to desk that will have disposable masks, hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes on it. A trash can with plastic liner will be there for disposal of paper masks and wipes.

- If they are not wearing a mask, ask them to put one on from the box at the front door. If they have a mask on but it is not up, ask them to please put their mask up. They are not to come in without a face covering. If they say they don't want to wear a mask, tell them we will be glad to welcome them back in the future when they no longer need to, but you are required to adhere to our procedures dictated by the county.
- 2. Ask each customer to use hand sanitizer in order to keep everything in the gallery sanitized.
- 3. Sales will be made by credit / debit card only. There will be two pen holders on the desk. One marked "Sanitized". One marked "Used". Have then use one from the sanitized holder and put it in the used holder. At end of your shift, wipe down the pens in the used holder and put them into the sanitized holder. DON'T enter sales in sales log, but DO ENTER IT ON YOUR WHITE ENVELOPE and put your envelope in the safe at end of your shift.
- 4. At the end of your shift wipe down all surfaces as you did in the beginning of it.
- 5. Ask them [them who?] to read all instructions above again.

WHEN AFTERNOON SHIFT ARRIVES:

- 1. Read all instructions from the top and follow steps that apply.
- 2. When preparing to leave, after putting your envelope in the safe, wipe down back office surfaces you touched, lock back door and wipe down handle, wipe down desk and cart surfaces, pens & pen holders, stapler, tape dispenser, calculator, credit card machine, light switches, bring in sign and wipe frame, lock door and wipe down handle, key and lockbox after putting it back.

SANDIEGO READY Responsible COVID-19 Economic Reopening (RECOVER) STRATEGIES TO REOPEN SAN DIEGO'S ECONOMY

SAN DIEGO MAYOR KEVIN FAULCONER COUNTY SUPERVISOR GREG COX REGIONAL BUSINESS, LABOR, AND INDUSTRY EXPERTS

SAN DIEGO READY TO RECOVER

The coronavirus pandemic has shut down or significantly altered most of the economy, testing the resiliency of all San Diegans. Necessary public health measures to prevent the spread of the virus have halted tourism, shuttered restaurants and bars, forced many to work from home, severely limited most businesses from interacting with their customers, and caused unemployment and uncertainty for tens of thousands in the San Diego region.

As hospitals build out the capacity to care for COVID-19 patients, and state and local governments take initial steps to reopen parts of our society, our community must be prepared with strategies that return San Diegans to work while still preventing the spread of the virus. Our goal is to ensure San Diego will be ready to safely begin its economic recovery when state and local health orders are lifted.

On April 17, 2020, City of San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer and County Supervisor Greg Cox launched a binational and bipartisan group of nearly thirty industry experts and civic leaders to advise how businesses can prepare to safely reopen.



San Dieguito Art Guild Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes via ZOOM online conference May 21, 2020

Call to order: 10:05 by Linda Melvin, President

IN ATTENDANCE: Jeff Brosbe, Deborah Buffington, Ellen Cramer, Cheryl Ehlers, Karen Fidel,, Carol Korfin, Linda Melemed, Linda Melvin, Terry Oshrin, Lily Pourat, Grace Swanson, Nancy Atherton West.

ABSENT: Julie Harris, Sandy Heath, Sharon Hoffman, Marrisa Wright.

<u>President's Notes -</u> Linda Melvin opened the meeting by leading a discussion of how to handle rotation fees for wall and floor renters. She said she has had a number of phone calls from members expressing concern about paying their fees when the gallery is closed. (Note that all artists displaying currently in the gallery are paid for April/May; payment would normally be due this month for June/July).

Many options were discussed including asking for full payment and seeing if any artists respond saying they cannot or wish not to pay and handling each on a case by case basis. Another option discussed was allowing for payment per month instead of for the two month period as is normal. Also discussed were only asking for 1/2 of the normal fees, and asking the broader membership for donations because the wall and floor members should perhaps not shoulder the bulk of the financial burden while closed.

It was noted that since we sent the email asking for financial support due to the pandemic with a link for donating, \$730 has been received so far from members and customers.

There was a long companion discussion regarding how concerned we should be about our solvency at this time and how we should communicate with our membership. Jeff Brosbe expressed his unease with the level of much of the Board's concern over the financial situation, feeling that we can sustain the gallery longer than other Board members feel is possible. Linda Melemed had the opportunity to clarify the details of some accounts, which are not as liquid as they may seem if we wish to keep the interest levels at the current rate. Other members reminded the Board about the length of our lease (5 years) and how we would need to be prepared financially if we were to face bankruptcy at some point during those 5 years and have to hire an attorney to break the lease.

Carol Korfin reviewed the results of the survey that had previously been sent out to display artists asking their feelings about payment of rotation fees during this time. Carol reported that the majority are willing to pay their full fees.

In terms of communication, Jeff Brosbe expressed concern about offering many options for payment or non-payment or staffing for another person instead of payment, saying that it may encourage people not to pay or to staff instead of paying.

Carol Korfin reported that the Gallery Committee proposed that gallery closing be extended to

June 15 rather than June 30, so we could reevaluate if things change before then. Carol added however that she has strong concerns about opening and the safety for our members that would come back to staff there.

Cheryl Ehlers reviewed the County of San Diego published guidelines (copied to the board prior to the meeting) for reopening. She described the steps as 1) Clean the gallery, 2) Require customers to wear face masks and maintain 6 foot social distance, and 3) Require staffers to wear face masks and maintain social distance.

Cheryl Ehlers also stated that the Guild must disclose our Form 990 financial report because she had heard from some members expressing concern about asking for full payment while we are closed because we have a \$100,000 savings account. Linda Melemed replied that the President gives a full financial report to the entire membership at the annual meeting every year, and a copy of the Form 990 report is always in the gallery and can be reviewed.

Back to the topic of re-opening the gallery, Cheryl Ehlers continued by saying we need a Safety Officer to sign the paperwork that is required to be displayed at the gallery door when we re-open certifying that we have and are following the County of San Deigo safety and cleanliness guidelines and she offered to take that role and sign the paperwork.

Carol Korfin asked specifically are there guidelines regarding whether those persons that have been defined as "vulnerable" (over 65, those with underlying health conditions, those with compromised immune systems) should come back to work. Cheryl Ehlers said no, once again reviewing the city guidelines.

The Board discussed the steps to reopen in terms of cleaning staff, gloves, hand sanitizer, wipes, and moving to credit card only transactions.

Grace Swanson proposed a timeline for preparing to re-open as the following: all art out of the gallery by May 31st; clean the gallery June 1st to 2nd; rehang art while maintaining social distance June 3rd to 7th; a soft opening June 8th to 14th; and full reopening on June 15th. Grace will send an email with this information (or similar) to all board members for their feedback.

Karen Fidel asked if we know if the bathroom is open? Linda Melvin will contact the landlord and find out when the bathrooms will be cleaned and open. Many agreed we cannot open without a bathroom!

The discussion moved to the Monthly Show. Cheryl Ehlers said she will coordinate the take down of the current work with Lily Pourat and Debi Buffington. Cheryl continued that the walls would remain empty for the second half of June with Monthly shows resuming in July. Cheryl added that the take in will be streamlined to fewer workers in order to maintain social distance and that payment would need to be done online with registration. She continued that we need a paypal button with no specified amount that would link the member to paypal where they would enter what they owe. Also monthly volunteer jobs would need to be signed up for online.

<u>Secretary's Report</u> - Nancy West noted she would change the reference to "two" communications to members in the last meeting minutes to "one".

Motion - Karen Fidel moved to accept the previous month's minute; Linda Melemed seconded. The minutes from April were approved unanimously.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Linda Melemed reported that on April 30th, 2020, we had total cash on hand of \$121,988. Artist sales year to date for the month ended April 30th were \$51,626 down from the prior year sales of \$61,256. Net loss Year to date is \$8,147 compared to the prior year loss of \$18,623. The \$10,000 difference from the prior year is due to \$7,000 in Mother's Day

expensed from the prior year and \$1,000 in loss of art sales commission and loss of Mother's Day artist fees.

Linda reported she was pleased to see on our bank statement but the government had deposited a \$1000 EIDL grant. Linda also reminded the board that there is government Pandemic Assistance for those that are self employed. The details of this program had been sent out to all members.

Linda also reported that the Guild has received a notice that we are listed as a creditor in a bankruptcy settlement of Lambert, owner of BK Books. She noted that she would contact Cheryl DeLain as to how to proceed.

Motion: Jeff Brosbe moved to accept the Treasurer's Report; Karen Fidel seconded. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

<u>Membership</u> - Linda Melemed brought up the fact that the Guild was planning to raise the membership dues this August and suggested that we could offer a prepayment incentive to drive some near term cash flow. The Board discussed the fact that we have not raised dues in two years, and that the family membership add on of \$25 is too low. Also discussed was when to communicate this and all agreed we should wait until the gallery is open and things are beginning to settle down.

Motion - Karen Fidel made a motion for the SDAG to raise single member dues from \$95 to \$105 as of September 1st, the family level membership be raised to \$150, and that a prepayment incentive option at the current dues rate for single and family memberships would be offered if payment is received before September 1st. Jeff Brosbe seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

<u>Publicity/Nomination Committee</u> - Grace Swanson reported that she had discontinued the Coast News advertisement and would reinstate it in a couple weeks.

Grace continue with progress of the Nominating Committee saying they have a few "maybes", but not all positions are filled at this time. They have "maybes" for Treasurer, Co-Gallery Chair, and Co-Monthly Show Chair.

<u>Calendar</u> - Carol Korfin told the board that Bea Gold is making and selling face masks with the proceeds going to the gallery.

Carol continued that the Gallery Committee foresees a slow start when reopening, and had considered shorter hours but will wait to see what happens. She added that they are eliminating overlapping shifts for training and also the later summer hours. Training methods will need to be addressed as well in light of required social distancing.

<u>Website</u> - Carol Korfin reported that to save costs we are in a holding pattern now and that we will support any breaks or issues with the website but not spending on improvements.

<u>Floor Chair Report</u> - Lily Pourat reported that we have one new person coming onto the floor. She continued that we have one open cube. Some artists want to sell face masks, and we also have identified a company that will make face masks with our artwork on them if we would like. Lily confirmed that she would be coordinating the take out of art with the other Chairs (Debi Buffington and Cheryl Ehlers) in order to maintain social distance, and that the virtual jewelry sales platform is up and running.

<u>Jobs Chair Report</u> - Jeff Brosbe reported that he has been watching changes in the Board and floor and wall renters is looking at needs for new jobs. Jeff asked to be kept up to date on

floor and wall renter changes going forward as well as any changes from the Nominating Committee.

<u>Gallery Manager Report</u> - Terry reported that she will manage the cleaning of the gallery with our current service when we agree on the exact dates.

<u>Monthly Show Chair Report</u> - Cheryl Ehlers will work with Carol Korfin to get the paypal button needed on the website for payment of monthly show fees. Cheryl also confirmed she will be changing staffing for take in day and will work with Jeff Brosbe as to how this affects jobs.

Cheryl Ehlers reported that she will eliminate professional judges for now thus saving the gallery \$100 per month. The judging will be done on a point system that is used by the San Diego County Fair and the Refections program.

Cheryl Ehlers expressed her strong opinion against adding more art to the Monthly show as suggested by the Gallery Committee, stating that this would mean displaying art too low on the wall, or in less than ideal lighting and she feels this is unfair to the artists.

Motion - Karen Fidel made a motion to adjourn; Linda Melemed seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00

Submitted by Nancy Atherton West, Secretary

On May 27, 2020, Linda Melvin, President, sent an email request to all Board members for a yes or no vote on reopening the gallery per the County of San Diego guidelines, and the schedule laid out by Grace Swanson.

Motion - Nancy West made a motion to reopen the gallery as discussed in our May Board meeting via Zoom, and per the detailed plans laid out in subsequent emails in accordance with the requirements of the county of San Diego. Karen Fidel seconded the motion. All members voted in yes in favor of reopening via email.

Proposed motion for vote by SDAG Board of Directors: Defining a "Member's Quorum"

Given the unusual and uncertain economic climate, we should consider adding a Bylaw provision that the Legal Committee wanted to propose to the Board last summer before we got sidetracked by other Bylaws issues.

Last year our attorney told us that certain guild issues, especially certain major financial issues (such as mergers, sale of assets, etc.), require a vote by a quorum of guild members. Absent a Bylaws provision stating otherwise, California law defines a membership quorum as one-third of the members. Our current Bylaws don't define a quorum which means SDAG currently requires a response from at least 33.33% of guild members to move forward on certain major issues The only voting that SDAG members have done in recent years is to vote annually for Board members and our response rate for that major event averages around 20-25%.

Our attorney said we could change the Bylaws to allow for a smaller number than one-third to constitute a member's quorum. In fact, he said many non-profits choose a lower percentage because most members of non-profits join for reasons other than a desire to manage and in general tend to be disinterested.

Given the current economic climate, if we have to do something extraordinary to survive (ie, a merger, etc.) and if any of those decisions require a vote by a quorum of the membership, we may not get a one-third response rate which means we may miss out on potential opportunities. This may be a good time to vote in a Bylaw provision defining a membership quorum as 20% or even less. This should be voted on before the next Board is sworn in in August so that it is in effect for the next fiscal year.

2. APPENDIX B, Article II, shall add the following Section 4:

QUORUM: For those votes that require a quorum of voting Members, and except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, 15% of the eligible Membership shall constitute a quorum.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Of

SAN DIEGUITO ART GUILD,

A California nonprofit public benefit corporation

At a meeting called and held of the Board of Directors of the San Dieguito Art Guild on April 24, 2020, there being a quorum present, the Board took the following actions and adopted the following resolution:

Whereas, it has been brought to the attention of the Board that there are inconsistencies and provisions in the Bylaws that need to be corrected or edited;

Whereas, pursuant to the Bylaws of the Corporation, the Board of Directors has the power to amend the Bylaws;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Bylaws are hereby amended as follows:

2. APPENDIX B, Article II, shall add the following Section 4: QUORUM: For those votes that require a quorum of voting Members, and except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, 15% of the eligible Membership shall constitute a quorum.

The Board directs that these resolutions be filed with the Minutes of the proceedings of the Board of Directors of this corporation.

These Minutes and resolutions are executed pursuant to Bylaws of this corporation.

Dated: April 24, 2020

Signed: ______ Nancy West (Secretary of the Meeting) With Encinitas businesses being given the okay to open if they meet certain guidelines by the County, we are making tentative plans for reopening the Gallery.

You were sent some info by Floor and Wall Chairs about getting the gallery ready. We don't have an exact date yet but are hoping for some time in June.

All staff will have to either take their own temperature before coming to staff or ascertain that they do not have COVID19 symptoms (cough, shortness of breath, trouble breathing, or two of the following – fever, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell).

- All staff will need to **wear a mask** the whole time they staff.
- We will clean the gallery before opening and will have materials and procedures for everyone to follow during their shifts to stay safe.
- All customers entering will have to wear a mask and a County form that we fill out explaining that and a sign will be posted on our door saying that.
- U We will provide a mask for anyone who isn't wearing one.
- We will tell customers to use provided **hand sanitizer** so they can touch items safely.
- U We will be cashless and **only take credit or debit cards**.

I already have an assigned shift for June and July

_____ I am able to staff my shifts in June and July

_____ I am not able to staff my shifts in June and July because ______

- _____ I am unsure about staffing my shifts in June and July
- _____ I am willing to pay for someone to staff my shifts in June and July (\$40)

I have not signed up for a staffing slot yet

- ____ I am able to staff
- ____ I am not able to staff because _____
- ____ I am unsure about staffing
- _____ I am willing to pay for someone to staff my shifts in June and July (\$40)

____ I am available to volunteer unpaid extra staffing shifts to help out for staffers who cannot staff due to age/health conditions.

Take a Self-guided Tour of Eight Locations



California historic site. Family caring for this ranch for more than 125 years.



Backyard English Garden, with lily pond and arbors with antique glass.



He creates recycled resin sculptures. She is an enamelist who weaves and fuses copper and glass.



New studio — demonstrations, play with clay or ask to try your hand at potter's wheel.



World traveling artist and architect spouse. Woodies on display.



180 degree ocean view with seethrough home interior with garage roll-up doors.



Host is docent at the San Diego Botanic Garden. Redesigned the garden of eclectic bungalow.



She's a fiber artist and he's a gardener who have lived on this two acre parcel for thirty years.



Gallery June 2020



















May was a very eventful month and June will bring us back into business. There will be guidelines that we all will need to follow, to both enter the gallery and work it in order to stay safe and abide by the health standards. It is very important to stay safe and healthy, but kindness and understanding of the other members in the gallery is a necessity.

months.

be ready to tackle any challenges that may come our way.

the gallery.

SDAG President



Check out the San Dieguito Art Guild / Off Track Gallery website at http://www.offtrackgallery.com

Things are always changing and improving. Here's a fun thing to do to promote on the H click on the TrinAdvisor icon (the owl





Iris Flowers Coming!

Long time member Patricia Watkins is bringing WHITE IRIS BULBS and accompanying Leaves the 9th or 10th of June to Linda Melvin's house.

Patricia Watkins:

"I will have about 35., 1-gallon containers with two Irises, and about 20., 3-gallon containers with three Irises. These plants will be delivered to Linda Melvins residence. Any guild members and their friends are welcome to make a donation of \$10 for the 2-plant containers, and a donation of \$12 for the 3-plant containers."

"Some of my Irises have already blossomed, as seen in the photos, and some have not yet bloomed. The best time for planting Irises is the spring or fall seasons, but they can be planted any time of the year and still survive. They like a sumy location, soil with good drainage, and not too much water."

"The Iris leaves usually take a couple of weeks to die back towards the end of summer. Once leaves are all brown, trim them back to about 6-8 inches above the ground. If they don't turn brown, you can just leave them in for Springtime blooms...After trimming, it is a good time to divide the bulbs or rhizomes."

"Division of bulbs and rhizomes only needs to be done every 2-3 years. Consult gardening books if needed, but honestly.....I do almost nothing to my Irises and rarely divide them, and they continue to flourish. The first ones I planted are about 12-15 years old and they spent 2 years in pots, before they received their spot in our current yard!"

"The White flowers are such great subject matter for painting or they make a great statement lining a pathway....I like them in connection with the Purple

"Hi fellow artists, this is Bea Gold, I am still painting and doing woodcuts but in addition one of my art activities during the Corone Virus Pandemic has been to make comfortable and artistic face masks. I am providing them for "sale" and donating the proceeds to SDAG. I am charging \$15 and this can be paid for through the SDAG website Donation button. I have pictures of the various masks and you can choose anyone you like. The mask can be picked up at my home or I can mail it (or them) to you. Please let your friends and family know of this fundraising activity. I enjoy making the masks, people have enjoyed wearing them and SDAG can use the fundsl "

DONATE NOW

Bea Gold - (323)806-0027



Masks by Bea Gold

"Here are three photos of a bola tie pendant that I made for the San Diego County Fair (now cancelled for this year). It shows the various stages of cloisonne enameling."

#1 - Two layers of enamel fired on, then the design is laid out in cloisonne wires and fired again.

#2 - Several layers of enamel applied and each one fired. No pink or red colors used until the last firings.

#3 - Several more layers of enamel applied and fired separately to develop the pink and orange shades, after which the piece is polished and set.

Jeanne Abriel



Bola Tie #1 (wires) by Jeanne Abriel





Bola Tie #3 (finished colors) by Jeanne Abriel

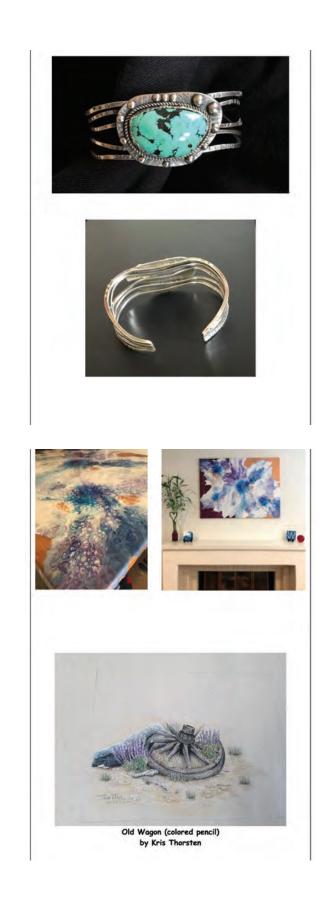


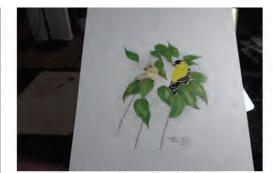
tus Wren Hiding Among Cacti Spines (oil) by Debi Buffington



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Volterra Bells (oil) by Gary Koop (work in progress)





Goldfinch (colored pencil) by Kris Thorsten

Kay Teeters (process of making a necklace with pendant)

"Here are some photos of some jewelry pieces I am currently working on. When they're finished they will be similar to the green pendant on the bronze background."

"To make them, I first make some clear glass disks with my oxygen/propane torch and anneal them in my kiln. Then I use a diamond bit to create texture on the back side of the disk. Next I use colored pencils to add color to the textured side and heat it on a cup warmer to allow the wax in the color to seep into the texture, brush it in and then spray it with a fixative to hold the color in place."

"Then I make slightly larger disk from bronze clay, fire the clay to create a sintered bronze disk and will eventually rivet the glass disk to the bonze one. Next I will make some more bronze or glass embellishments to add to the piece and add chain and a ring and bar clasp to finish it."







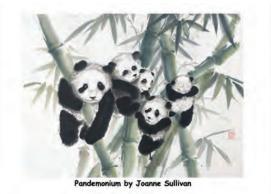
'Paint Pours' by Catherine Montgrain















Ibis by Char Cee Colosia



'Pear Envy' (acrylic) by Julie Harris



Patricia Watkins with her recent artwork

Father's Day SDAG Artist's Tribute to Their Fathers

"I have my book for sale in the gallery. I am reading and recording all 36 stories. This last one was 16 I think. The book is "Tell Me a Story". Love sharing my stories." Thanks,

Bea Gold: My Father "The Practical Joker."

BeaGold'sFather



List of the Off Track Gallery Approved Paid Staff:

Doreen Long 858-487-3672 (home) Laura Lowenstein 760-753-3254 (home) or 760-450-5055 (cell) Charlene Meeker 760-917-5075 Kate O'Brien 760-726-8737 (home) Devra Safran 619-954-5099 (cell) (only Thursday or Sunday) Judy Salinsky 760-807-0727 Susan Schulte 760-944-8874 (home) or 760-406-1953 (cell) needs advance notice Judianes Shannon 760-753-7088 (home) or 760-936-6124 (cell) Grace Swanson 760-805-0434 (cell)



April Clouds (oil) by Nora Dewey



Separate Not Alone by Lin Holzinger (mixed media encaustic/triptych/birch panels)

San Dieguito Art Guild Special Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes via ZOOM online conference June 9, 2020

Call to order: 10:00 by Linda Melvin, President

IN ATTENDANCE: Jeff Brosbe, Deborah Buffington, Cheryl Ehlers, Karen Fidel, Carol Korfin, Linda Melemed, Linda Melvin, Terry Oshrin, Lily Pourat, Grace Swanson, Nancy Atherton West.

ABSENT: Ellen Cramer, Julie Harris, Sandy Heath, Sharon Hoffman, Marissa Wright.

<u>Special meeting regarding the SBA-EIDL</u> - Linda Melvin reviewed for the members the email previously sent discussing the pros and cons of accepting the US Small Business Administration Economic Injury Disaster Loan. The memo discussed the background of the loan as it relates to SDAG, reasons for a yes vote, one reason for a possible no vote, and a request to members for additional pros and cons. The memo is attached to these minutes for reference.

Carol Korfin reported that she did not receive any additional pros or cons for the vote.

One member asked to abstain initially but when it was explained that for this type of vote regarding taking on an indebtedness, the vote would need to be unanimous. The Board discussed how the loan would be used to pay business expenses, and since the pandemic could adversely affect the gallery operations and profitability for some time into the future, it was pragmatic to take the loan for security with the intent to pay it off as soon as possible.

Motion: Jeff Brosbe made a motion to accept the SBA-EIDL; Carol Korfin seconded. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

Meeting was adjourned.





Open from 11am to 5pm

June 12

Open 10am to 6pm

Off Track Gallery will re-open

> Friday June 12

10am to 6pm



937 South Coast Hwy 101 Lumberyard Shopping Center Behind St. Tropez and Starbucks ENCINITAS

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San Dieguito Art Guild Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes via ZOOM online conference June 29, 2020

Call to order: 10:08 by Linda Melvin, President

IN ATTENDANCE: Jeff Brosbe, Deborah Buffington, Cheryl Ehlers, Karen Fidel, Carol Korfin, Linda Melemed, Linda Melvin, Terry Oshrin, Lily Pourat, Grace Swanson, Nancy Atherton West, Marissa Wright.

ABSENT: Ellen Cramer, Julie Harris, Sandy Heath, Sharon Hoffman.

<u>President's Notes</u> - Linda Melvin noted that the date on the agenda sent via email for this meeting was in err and should read June 29, 2020.

Linda Melvin led a discussion of possible additional ways to increase revenue during the pandemic such as traveling shows at various outdoor places of interest in the area. Some locations discussed were Bumann Ranch in Encinitas, the Heritage House, private homes (outdoors) and the Flower Fields. The Board discussed how the Guild would make money, whether displaying artists would be charged, and commission structure. The discussion was brainstorming in nature and Linda Melvin asked the Board to continue to think about creative ways we can generate more income for our artists and the Guild.

<u>Monthly Show</u> - Cheryl Ehlers reported that for the next monthly show she has 23 to 24 participants bringing in \$673 in registration fees. A normal month pre-pandemic would typically yield \$800-\$900. Members were pleased that our first monthly show since the pandemic is doing fairly well.

<u>Secretary's Report</u> - Linda Melvin asked for a motion to approve the Secretary's minutes from the precious month's meeting.

Motion - Grace Swanson moved to accept the previous month's minutes; Debi Buffington seconded. The minutes from May were approved unanimously.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Linda Melemed reported that as of May 31, 2020 we had total cash on hand of \$116,353. Artist sales year to date for the month ended May 31st were \$51,836 down from the prior year sales of \$69,393. Net loss Year to Date is \$14,148 compared to the prior year profit of \$1,730. The \$12,418 difference from the prior year is due to the loss of Mother's Day income and commission from art sales. Linda Melemed further reported the current month's income through June 23rd as \$2,363.

Carol Korfin posed a question regarding credit card fees increasing from roughly \$2,000 to \$3,480. Linda Melemed agreed to investigate the reason for the higher fees.

Motion: Karen Fidel moved to accept the Treasurer's Report; Jeff Brosbe seconded. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

<u>Membership</u> - Karen Fidel reported that the online membership renewal is available.

<u>Publicity/Nomination Committee</u> - Grace Swanson reported nothing new in Publicity, but that she would send another eblast to customers reminding them that we are open and encouraging them to come see us in the gallery.

Grace continued with progress of the nominating committee for next year's Board of Directors, saying she would present the slate at the next meeting. The biggest challenge is not having a candidate for President. Grace continued that the committee is not seeking a Fundraising

Chair at this time, since there are no real fundraising activities allowed. Grace will take on Social Media, but will be requesting a web overseer from Jeff Brosbe, Jobs Chair.

Grace Swanson continued that Carol Korfin would be the candidate for Treasurer, and Judy Richardson will seek the Parliamentarian position.

Grace shared with the Board that she has been researching on-line art sales methods like Shopify and suggested the Board create a team to pursue this for our members. She reported that customers could be directed to our Shopify online "store" directly from our Guild website. Shopify could have it's own paypal accounts for payments and shipping would be the responsibility of each artist.

Carol Korfin added that there is a service in Encinitas that would pick up sold items from the gallery, package them professionally and ship to the customer. There is a cost but the assurance of consistency and safety in packaging and delivery might be worth the cost.

Jeff Brosbe added that you can go into a UPS (or similar) store and they will do this for you also. There could be options depending upon from where the item was shipping - the gallery or an artist's home.

Grace suggested the committee should give thought to how to monitor the quality of items offered in order to maintain a quality of artwork that is consistent with what we offer in the gallery.

Lily Pourat asked to be on the committee with Grace, as she has also been doing research in this area.

Grace agreed to send a questionnaire to the membership to gauge interest in participating and/ or being on the committee.

<u>Calendar</u> - Carol Korfin asked the Board to go online to the calendar and pick two possible dates for August and September and send them to her via email. Carol asked for feedback from members who have staffed as to how things are going under the new requirements. Feedback was generally positive with the exception of the mysterious disappearance of 50 face masks in a short time. Carol reported that she had sent an email to staffers reminding them that they must wear their own mask, and only give one out from the gallery supply if a visitor does not have their own. Further, that the gallery masks are not for the use of staffers or worse, taken home.

Carol Korfin reported on the City of Encinitas small business grant program and our application. The city has \$250,000 slated for providing grants from \$2,000 to \$10,00 to small deserving businesses during the hardship of the pandemic and Cheryl DeLain has stepped up to make an application on behalf of the Guild.

Carol Korfin asked the Board for a motion to name her as a Board member acting as agent for the Guild to sign for the loan portion of the Economic Injury Disaster Loan, but specifically not personally responsible.

Motion: Grace Swanson made a motion that Carol Korfin, as an elected Board Member and agent for San Dieguito Art Guild and as approved by motion of its Board of Directors, be able to provide signature for the federal Economic Injury Disaster Loan, and is specifically not responsible individually. Karen Fidel seconded the motion. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

<u>Wall Chair Report</u> - Debi Buffington reported that one half wall renter is changing to the floor. A new wall renter will take his place and be trained accordingly.

Debi continued that she had created a schedule for the next wall rotation to take place in a "domino effect" manner where one artist takes their work down and moves it to an already empty space and another moves into their vacated space, and so on, in order to provide for

good social distancing. Debi continued that she would need up to two helpers per shift; Jeff Brosbe asked Debi to get a description of the helpers' jobs to Bobby Harrington for assignment.

<u>Floor Chair Report</u> - Lily Pourat reported that two new people will be in cubes, one from the half wall and one new artist. Lily continued that she has organized cube rotation with two artists switching with one another at a time, in order to social distance.

<u>Jobs Chair Report</u> - Jeff Brosbe asked the Board to please review his email with the latest jobs report for accuracy. Linda Melvin brought up that Lily Pourat, Floor Chair, needs a person to draw up the diagram of the floor rotation of cube artists every two months. Grace is currently drawing up the wall rotation "map". Both jobs could be done by the same person. It was decided Grace would send Jeff a job description of both and he would recruit another member for this job.

Jeff Brosbe brought up the fact that many jobs are not able to be performed at this time during the pandemic, an example being anything related to Hospitality. The Board discussed whether the persons in "suspended" jobs should be reassigned elsewhere. Carol Korfin noted that the calendar may need extra shift workers for some time forward due to members being unable or unwilling to work in the gallery because of the pandemic, and their individual health or family situation. It was agreed that persons in "suspended" jobs be left in those positions, but be eligible to be called upon to perform other temporary additional work such as staffing on an as needed basis.

The Board discussed the impact of Holly Wolfe moving out of state, leaving the wall and also the jury for 3D art and jewelry. Several members voiced their support for Lily being the replacement juror as she is a sculptor herself.

<u>Gallery Manager Report</u> - Terry Oshrin and members of the Gallery Committee reported that the plexiglas shield has been installed at the desk to protect staffers and visitors during interaction and/or transactions. The restrooms in the complex will now be open until 8pm.

Finally the Board discussed upcoming events such as the next jury session and the installation of the new Board in August. Since these are normally "in person" events, the Board will have to decide whether these can be held as usual or online this year. This will be decided closer to the dates of the events.

Motion - Jeff Brosbe made a motion to adjourn; Carol Korfin seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 11:22

Submitted by Nancy Atherton West, Secretary

SAN DIEGUITO ART GUILD Off Track Gallery

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Environmental Painters Schedule

Watercolor Classes with Jayne Spencer (see ad near end of newsletter) Paid Staffer List

Upcoming SDAG Schedule of Events

JULY

July 28 Monthly Show Take-In (3:30 - 5:30)

AUGUST

August 10 -14 Wall and Floor Rotation August 25 Monthly Show Take-In (3:30 - 5:30)

New Members

Welcome new members to your the San Dieguito Art Guild!!

Sylviane Collier (fiber art - wool) Araceli Gonzalez (jewelry and dichroic glass accessories) Rena Yarbrough Howe (acrylic paintings, realism marine life) June Gloom is just about to end and I am so ready for the sun and fun. My garden is in full bloom and I am making a lot of Gazpacho.

This has been a very busy month for the gallery in June. The Gallery opening has been a major event in the month of June and we are trying to be very respectful of all the staffers and clients.



Membership renewal time is at hand, along with the nomination of a new Board for SDAG. Rotation will be a little different from before to keep all safe and healthy. There is a new plexiglass screen installed to keep both staffers and clients safe during this time. The restrooms will now be open until 8:00 PM for staffers and customers of the Lumberyard area.

The SDAG Board is working to keep all safe and healthy and working to find new ideas to make the gallery safe, successful and open during this trying time. We are working on alternative ways to view our art and looking for ways to have pop up shows during this time in an outdoor venue.

I hope all is well with you and your family and looking forward to a time when we can meet at a reception or event to share all that is going on in each life.

Linda Melvin SDAG President "Make each day a masterpiece!"

President@sandieguitoartguild.com

Member News

We would like to share with you all the news that three of our members have lost love ones recently. Our deepest and heartfelt sympathies and love go out to each of them.

Joan Grine

Our sympathy to Joan Grine for the loss of her husband on June 25, 2020. Joan was a past SDAG president from 1991 – 1993 as well as holding many different board positions. For the past few decades Joan has led a group of plein aire painters each Tuesday to paint in various locations in San Diego.

Laura Lowenstein

Laura Lowenstein for the loss of her brother suddenly due to a heart attack.

Karen Fidel

Karen Fidel for the loss of her brother after a brave fight with cancer. Karen adopted her brother's dog at his request. Call Joan Grine 858-525-1482 for more directions or questions. Email her at: joanjgrine@gmail.com



JULY July 7 and 14 Ponto Beach area July 21 and 28 Swami's

ALL CURRENT GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES FOR FACE COVERINGS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING SHOULD BE FOLLOWED.

Thank You for Your Donations

Thank you

to the many guild members who have already donated in amounts ranging from \$10 to \$20 to \$100 to \$1000

hank you to all the Wall and Floor artists who continued to pay for their pace even when the gallery was closed.

or the non-Wall and Floor artists who also want to do their part to support the uild please consider donating any amount by clicking here:

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hings are always changing and improving. Here's a fun thing to do to promote he gallery! On the Homepage, click on the TripAdvisor icon (the owl with lasses) at the top right of the page. It will take you to TripAdvisor. Log in or ign up and leave a review of the gallery. You click on the upper right on the aper and pencil icon to write a review.

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| FIRST | LAST | TITLE | MEDIUM | AWARDS | |
| | | | OIL | | |
| Judy | Richardson | Happy Flowers | 1. Oil | BOS | Origina |
| Rita | Shulak | Weeping Willow | 1. Oil | 1st | Origina |
| Karen | Witmer | Sunflowers | 1. Oil | 2nd | Origina |
| Barbara Lynn | Bingham | Torrey Pines Preserve | 1. Oil | 3rd | Origina |
| | | | ACRYLIC | | |
| Galina | Marcus | What's In Your Head | 2. Acrylic | 1st | Origina |
| Gregg | Sindici | Earthly | 2. Acrylic | 2nd | Origina |
| Lin | Holzinger | Broken Colors | 2. Acrylic | 3rd | Origina |
| Bea | Gold | American Queen Josi | 2. Acrylic | нм | Origina |
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| Elizabeth | Gilpin | Sapling Forest | 3. Watercolor | 1st | Origina |
| Dot | Dodds | Reflection | 3. Watercolor | 2nd | Origina |
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| Phil | Reed | Cymbidium | 4. Photography | 1st | Print |
| Ellen | Cramer | Cork Clock #5 | 9. 3D2: Wall Hanging: | 2nd | Origina |
| Doreen | Long | Shawl | 10. Textiles | 3rd | Origina |
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Monthly Show July - Best of Show



Happy Flowers (oil) by Judy Richardson

Monthly Show July

Photography of the Monthly Show Awards was done this month by Howard Bagley.





Weeping Willow (oil) by Rita Shulak



What's in Your Head (acrylic) by Galina Marcus



Sapling Forest (watercolor) by Elizabeth Gilpin



Cymbidium (photography) by Phil Reed



Stretched Arabesque (mixed medium) by Kerry Cortinas





Member News - Jayne Spencer

Portrait of George Floyd recognized by the Escondio News

"As an artist, the events of the past two weeks moved me to paint a portrait of George Floyd, whose death has sparked a long-overdue nationwide awareness of the racial inequities that our nation clearly has not moved past. I am thrilled that my work made the front page of the Escondido News" https://www.escondidograpevine.com/tag/escondido-news/

"This was a very emotional portrait to paint when I was painting his beautiful face the tears started running down my cheeks. I was thinking about his life, family, kids and how he died. My mom always told me to treat others how you would want to be treated. Such a simple concept. May this world come together and make real change for a better future for all mankind."

Jayne Spencer June 8, 2020

Artist Opportunity with the City of San Diego

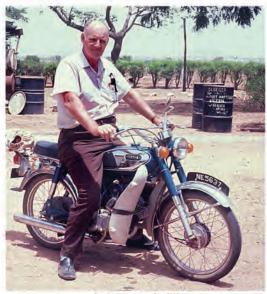
Opportunity: The City of San Diego is seeking applications from interested qualified artists to have their existing artworks considered for purchase by the City. This initiative is made possible by the monetary portion of a gift from Thomas O. Rasmussen.

Eligibility: Any living artist legally residing in San Diego County is eligible to submit an application.

Application Deadline: Monday, July 13, 2020, 11:59 PM PDT

To learn more about the opportunity and how to apply, click here:

https://sandiego.us13.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ad6bbb3ad03ccbf7611872130& id=cc1b1ea524&e=a57128fdeb "Tribute to my dad, Lionel Seger, missionary to Nigeria for almost 50 years. He never wavered in his faith and never questioned his calling. He walked the walk and talked the talk. A humble man. Rose early every day and never stopped moving. Always working - building, preaching, traveling, writing, planting, teaching." Grace (Seger) Swanson



Grace Swanson's dad

My Dad - Jack Teeters, by Kay Teeters

"My dad, Jack Teeters, was an artist and teacher. He grew up on a farm in Kansas during the Depression. He and my mom met in a college art class. Dad served as a gunner on an A-20 Havoc in WWII and while he was stationed in the South Pacific he sketched scenes of military life and made wood carvings from scraps of native hardwood species he found in New Guinea and the Philippines; he always carried a small piece of sandpaper in his pocket so he could sand his carvings while he was waiting in line for chow.

After the war, he married mom, finished his college degree and became a teacher, teaching high school art and craft classes. After we moved from Kansas to Oregon, he spent many weekends and summers painting landscape scenes all over Southern Oregon. Our trips to the Oregon beaches always involved hunting for pieces of driftwood, especially Oregon Myrtlewood, for sculpture projects. In the late 1950s he and three other local artists founded the Rogue Valley Art Association and Rogue Gallery; the gallery and art education programs are still going strong today. https://www.roguegallery.org/organization.html

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Having an artist father meant that my sibs and I grew up with our hands in finger paint and clay; there was never any shortage of art materials in our house. As a teacher in a perpetually under-funded department, dad was an accomplished scrounger of things his students could use for art projects, and when macrame became popular, he checked a book out of the library and taught himself how to tie macrame knots so he could teach the techniques to his students. Several of his students went on to become artists or teachers themselves."



Charlene Meeker's Dad Charles:

"My dad Charles Hauser was born on the San Carlos Indian Reservation in Globe, AZ. He was adopted from a Los Angeles orphanage at age 4, grew up in Beverly Hills, majored in engineering at UCLA, then married. Later on moved to Oroville where he became a rancher and builder as well as holding other jobs. He was a hard worker and instilled those qualities in my sister and I as we had an almond orchard and dairy cows. He was a devoted husband, kind father with a sense of humor, loved ice cream and lived a full life of 91 years."

Charlene Meeker:

"A photo of my Dad (with my Mom.) Charles & Elizabeth Hauser. This was one of my favorite photos of Dad especially, when my late husband and I took them on a trip around the U.S. in our conversion van. This photo was taken at the awe-inspiring Grand Canyon which we all were seeing for the first time."



Charlene Meeker's mom and dad

Lisa Curry:

"Dad stayed healthy and enjoyed life for 91 years. He was a Signalman in the Navy during WWII. At 88 we visited one of the Liberty ships he served on that was docked in Baltimore. The last trip he wanted to go on was to see the Panama Canal. He had been through the Suez during the war. At 90 years old he and I visited Panama. He enjoyed every activity on board during the cruise and was delighted to have a champagne toast while going through the Canal!"



Lisa Curry's dad, Frank Lebrato

NEW Online Watercolor Classes with Jayne Spencer

Learn to paint watercolor! Bring more creativity and joy into your life! Anyone can learn to paint watercolor, learning the proper skills and techniques and I'm an award-winning artist who's taught watercolor for 11 years. Enjoy painting at home, on your own schedule!

For more information or to enroll for an online watercolor class at: JayneSpencerWatercolor.com

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hpLNas4nJfg



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Watercolor Classes with Cris Weatherby





Arts Alive Banners by SDAG members

















San Dieguito Art Guild Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes via ZOOM online conference

July 26, 2020

Note - on July 17, 2020, via email, Linda Melvin, President asked the board to vote to approve Julie Swartz as Social Media Chair for the vacant seat. Her email and the subsequent report of approval via email on July 20, 2020 appear below:

July 17, 2020 Linda wrote: I would like to have the board vote to approve a replacement for the empty board position of Social Media. The board can do this if there is a vacancy, and it would be good to have a vote, and be official before the next board Meeting on July 27. Julie Swartz is eager and enthusiastic about working on the board in this position. Please send me your vote so we can move forward and fill this position. Linda Melvin

SDAG President

July 20, 2020 Linda wrote: The vote for Julie Swartz was voted on and approved by the Board of SDAG. We look forward to having her on the board as Social Media chair. Linda Melvin

Call to order: 10:07 by Linda Melvin, President IN ATTENDANCE: Jeff Brosbe, Deborah Buffington, Cheryl Ehlers, Karen Fidel, Carol Korfin, Linda Melemed, Linda Melvin, Terry Oshrin, Lily Pourat, Grace Swanson, Nancy Atherton West, Julie Swartz.

ABSENT: Ellen Cramer, Julie Harris, Sandy Heath, Sharon Hoffman, Marissa Wright.

President's Notes - Linda Melvin reported that efforts to find suitable outdoor venues for potential sales during the pandemic had proven fruitless. For example, the Flower Fields charges \$5,000 per day to use their grounds! Also it was learned that at this time the cities are not permitting additional outdoor events.

The Guild received a letter from member Diane Abadie asking to see the organization's financial information. Linda Melemed stated that the Guild's tax return is in the gallery office and available for members to review. (Note that there is a complete financial report given at th annual members meeting in January).

Linda raised the idea regarding opening the gallery for shorter hours since traffic and sales has been at times lighter since the reopening. Carol Korfin had done some research with respect to the other businesses in the Lumberyard Shopping Center and reported the following:

A couple of years ago the center had 50 businesses. Now there are 31 businesses with four to six of those being non-retail. Carol called most of the retail operations and most are open.

Of those open, seven open at 11:00 or 11:30 and remain open until 6:00 to 10:00. Ten other businesses open earlier because they serve breakfast. St. Tropez which is close to us is open from 8:00 to 3:00 Sunday though Tuesday, and 8am to 8pm the other days. It was mentioned we could ask staffers to record the timing of traffic. Lily Pourat reported that when she worked recently on a Thursday she had the most sales ever and it seemed people were hungry to be out shopping Overall the board agreed to keep the hours the same and continue to track visitors and sales as normal at this time.

Linda Melvin reported a member wrote to her expressing his frustration that he was told he had too many shrink wrapped pieces in the gallery. There is currently a limit of pieces per artist. He suggested we increase this limit, but the board agreed that space limitations preclude an increase at this time. Secretary's Report - Linda Melvin asked for a motion to approve the Secretary's minutes from the precious month's meeting.

Motion - Karen Fidel moved to accept the previous month's minutes; Jeff Brosbe seconded. The minutes from June were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report - Linda Melemed reported that as of June 30th 2020 we had total cash on hand of \$121,554. Artist sales year to date for the month ended June 30th were \$56,261 down from the prior year sales of \$77,315. Net loss Year to Date is (\$13,712) compared to the prior year profit of \$1,424. The difference from the prior year is due to the loss of Mother's Day income and closure of the Gallery for several months due to Covid-19 resulting in lower commissions from loss of art sales. Sales for June 8-30, 2020 = \$4,425. Sales for June 1-30, 2019 = \$7,922.

So far for the month of July (1st to the 17th) sales are approximately \$2,000.

Carol Korfin mentioned that the floor rotation fees seemed low at \$1,150. Lily Pourat explained that some display artists pay yearly and others pay every two months which could be a factor. Lily explained her payment acceptance and receipt review process in detail, adding that she would go back and double check the numbers Carol had questioned.

Motion - Jeff Brosbe made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report; Karen Fidel seconded. The motion was passed unanimously and the report was accepted.

Membership - Karen Fidel reported that we are in the middle of the membership renewal timeframe. Two currents members have decided not to renew for personal reasons, and four new members were signed up after the gallery reopened.

Publicity/Nominating Committee Report - Grace Swanson reported that the nominating committee is presenting the following slate of candidates for the SDAG board for the next year

(2020/2021):

President: Patricia Watkins Vice President and Membership Chair: Karen Fidel Fundraising Chair: Vacant Calendar Co-Chairs: Dolores Renner, Sandy Heath, Ellen Cramer Social Media Chair: Julie Swartz Monthly Show Co-Chairs: Cheryl Ehlers and Marcy Evers Gallery Manager Co-Chairs: Hiaxin Li and Linda Melvin Parliamentarian/Secretary: Judy Richardson and Nancy Atherton West Newsletter Chair: Ry Beloin Wall Chair: Deborah Buffington PR Chair: Grace Swanson Treasurer: Carol Korfin Hospitality: Marissa Wright Jobs Chair: Jeffrey Brosbe Floor Chair: Lily Pourat

Grace reported that we don't currently have someone to take over the website but that Jeff Brosbe will continue to recruit and Grace offered to manage it in the meantime.

Motion - Grace Swanson made a motion to accept the proposed slate of board nominees as presented; Karen Fidel seconded. The board voted unanimously to accept the slate of nominees for election by the membership.

Regarding Publicity, Grace continued that her research into an online platform for gallery sales is progressing well. She continued that she is working with Michael Winters and Peter Lanham to identify the best platform. Grace assured the board there would be no changes to our website per se but there will be links to the online shopping site from everywhere possible. Grace continued to share with the board aspects under consideration for the new site, and also answered several questions. These included how many pieces each artist could put on the site at a time, who will doing the shipping of sold work, how will artwork be photographed, and how the Guild profits (submission fees and commission, much like a monthly show). Grace will be continuing to work on these details and will keep the board apprised of progress.

Social Media - Linda Melvin gave Julie Swartz a warm welcome and introduction as the board's new Social Media Chair. Welcome Julie! Julie Swartz began by reporting her goal to increase the gallery's followers and "Likes" by 25%, with the intended result to increase sales. Julie expressed her support of the idea of the online store and agreed to work with Grace in terms of the social media aspect. Julie continued that she wants to see an increase in use of constant comment for sharing more email messages and photos both of monthly show winners and also pictures of patrons with the art they buy.

Cheryl Ehlers added that she has a release form that can be used to get permission for photography of patrons (which she will send to Julie). Carol Korfin will request that staffers take photos and have the patrons sign the form. The forms can be put into Julie Swartz's folder in the office and the photos emailed to Julie for publication.

Calendar - Carol Korfin reporting about our EIDL application, said that she is awaiting word on status from the bank. The bank would have received the signed papers on the previous Friday. She described issues pertaining to the liability of the signing party and efforts to make the wording acceptable such that the member signing for the guild is not personally responsible for the loan in any way. The matter was resolved to our satisfaction. Carol reported that the calendar for staffing is working smoothly, and we will continue the online sign up process going forward. Carol reported that she and Cheryl DeLain attended a zoom conference on how to renegotiate a lease during a pandemic, presented by a local real estate lawyer. Carol and Cheryl plan to come back to the board if they can present a recommendation as to how to renegotiate. They are pursuing a ten minute call with the presenter to discuss our case in particular. Carol will work with Cheryl Ehlers to get a copy of our current lease for reference.

Wall Chair Report - Debi Buffington reported the following changes to the wall display artists: Artists leaving the wall: Holly Wolfe leaving in August, Margot Carrera- put back on waiting list, Diane O'Connell- leaving in October New wall artists: Kathleen Graham, Betty Byrd, Abbey Chamberlain coming on in October. Debi continued to report that there are three on the wait list currently and that we could use more on the list. New jurying will begin on Aug. 20

Floor Chair Report - Lily Pourat reported that she sent out the rotation schedule with two display artists at a time for social distancing. Lily also reported that the next jury session would be approximately August 20th with extended drop off, jury, and pickup times over a number of days to avoid gathering of people.

Jobs Chair Report - Jeff Brosbe reported that he is having a difficult time finding a new web liaison. He will continue to recruit for this position. Jeff also reported we have a new rotation "map" person who will handle both wall and floor positions; he will introduce this person to the wall and floor chairs.

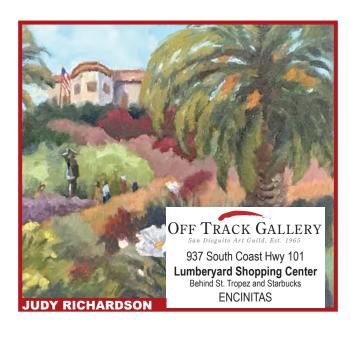
Monthly Show - Cheryl Ehlers reported that the current

monthly show is full, with many large pieces, and take in fees of over \$760. Regarding the November and December shows, Cheryl Ehlers proposed the December show be small images with a theme and limit members to two pieces each in order to get more artists in. This month the show filled up with some members not able to enter. (Note October is the Veteran's show).

Gallery Manager Report - Terry Oshrin and members of the Gallery Committee reported that the plexiglas shield has been installed at the desk to protect staffers and visitors during interaction and/or transactions. The restrooms in the complex will now be open until 8pm.

Guild Insurance Renewal - Linda Melvin asked the board to discuss renewal of our Directors and Officers Liability and Employment Practices insurance. The board discussed the level of coverage, potential for cost savings, and billing practices (online access, paper billing or no, and which board members will have access). Motion - Jeff Brosbe made a motion to accept the current quote from Hartford for \$2382 for an equivalent level of coverage; Karen Fidel seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion - Karen Fidel made a motion to adjourn; Lily Pourat seconded. The motion was passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:03 Submitted by Nancy Atherton West, Secretary



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Off Track Gallery to offer 10% off all artwork first Saturdays of 2020

Off Track Gallery will offer 10% off all artwork in the gallery all day the first Saturdays of 2020: Sept. 5, Oct. 3, Nov. 7 and Dec. 5. The gallery is open every day from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The gallery is in the Lumberyard Shopping Center, on highway 101, downtown Encinitas. Plenty of parking.

In pre-pandemic times when the San Dieguito Art Guild had a reception every other month at its Off Track Gallery in conjunction with the City of Encinitas' ArtNights, customers were given 10% off all artwork in the gallery all day — from opening until closing.

Even though receptions are not happening now, the guild is extending the 10% off tradition. This time the 10% off offer is for every month for the rest of 2020.

Off Track Gallery: 937 South Coast Highway 101, Suite C-103, Encinitas, 760-942-3636, pr@sandieguitoartguild.com, OffTrackGallery.com.

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Environmental Painters Schedule Message to SDAG Members Trip Advisor - SDAG Future Online Sales for SDAG Members Arts Alive Banners 2020 Watercolor Classes with Jayne Spencer (see ad near end of newsletter) Paid Staffer List

AUGUST

August 10 -14 Wall and Floor Rotation August 25 Monthly Show Take-In (3:30 - 5:30)

New Members

Upcoming SDAG Schedule of Events

Welcome new members to your the San Dieguito Art Guild!

Abbey Chamberlain (photography) Deborah Fitzpatrick (oil painting) Susan Ludwig (fiber)

A Message to SDAG Members:

As you know, the Cavid19 pandemic has been a challenging time for the San Dieguito Art Guild and Off Track Gallery. But the President, the Board, and many of the members are rising to that challenge. Here is an update on what we have accomplished since March.

Due to the pandemic, we had to close the Off Track Gallery and cancel this year's Annual Mother's Day Art and Garden Tour. During the gallery closure from March 16, 2020 through June 7, 2020, we made no sales and collected no entry fees for the missed Monthly Shows. The cancellation of the Mather's Day Tour, which is our major annual fundraiser that keeps us afloat, resulted in an estimated revenue loss of approximately \$15,000. When the gallery finally reopened, our sales for the first month were half the usual amount. We are still in the process of determining July's sales. And as the pandemic continues, we will most likely cancel this year's Holiday Bazaar.

As if this wasn't enough economic excitement, our lease came up for renewal in March at the beginning of the pandemic. In spite of some concessions from our landlord for our nenewed five-year lease, our monthly expenses average over \$6,000/month when the gallery is closed and between \$7,000-\$8,000/month when the gallery is open.

And now for the good news! Fortunately, our display artists continued to pay their rotation fees during the gallery closure. In addition, many of our members made direct donations to the guild. Some of our members donated items they either made or grew that we were able to sell for donations. These outpourings of generosity and commitment were helpful and heart-warming as we all pulled together to keep our guild afloat.

During this time, SDAG applied for and received a \$1,000 grant from the SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program under the CARES Act. We applied for and have been approved for a \$2,500 grant from the City of Encinitas under its Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF). Our request for a grant from the County of San Diego's Small Business Stimulus Grant Program is currently under consideration. We also applied for and have been approved for an SBA EDL loan of \$44,600 at an interest rate of 2.75% with a 30 year repayment period (resulting in monthly payments of under \$200/month). Since we have no desire to saddle future guild members with these loan payments and thanks to the noprepayment-penalty terms, we intend to use this money anly if absolutely necessary and repay the amount not used as soon as we know we no longer need it as a back-up.

Our frugality during the fat times is serving us well in the lean times. We were able to enter this pandemic with a little over \$100,000 in reserves which, barring unforeseen circumstances, should cover our average overhead for approximately one year. While this helps us sleep better at night, we are also aware unforeseen expenses can erode these reserves quickly. But with the efforts of the board members and support of the members, we feel much more confident that we will be able to ride out this storm even if it lasts through next year. It is hard to believe that we are half way through 2020. This will be my last letter to you as the President of SDAG and I am waving to all of you as I leave. I will still be around spending time at the gallery and enjoying all of the wonderful art that is shown. During the last two years I have been so blessed to share time with new and existing members of the gallery and sharing memories and hopes for the future.



Please do not forget to vote for the new slate of officers for the Guild. If at any time you feel that you would like to take an active part of the board, please let the Membership Chair or the President Know. New people and ideas are always welcome. I would also like to thank the members that have made donations to the gallery during this trying time that we are all experiencing. The donations were greatly appreciated in order to help run the gallery.

Hope you all stay well and healthy during this time and looking forward to warm and sunny days ahead.

Linda Melvin SDAG President "Make each day a masterpiece!"

President@sandieguitoartguild.com

Environmental Painters Schedule

Call Joan Grine 858-525-1482 for more directions or questions.

Email Joan at: joanjgrine@gmail.com

AUGUST

Aug. 4 and 11 San Elijo Lagoon, Manchester

Aug. 18 and 25 San Dieguito County Park, lower level

ALL CURRENT GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES FOR FACE COVERINGS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING SHOULD BE FOLLOWED.

reward all who helped us get there.

August 2020 - Monthly Show Awards

TripAdvisor - Off Track Gallery

Time on Your Hands?

Check out the San Dieguito Art Guild / Off Track Gallery website at http://www.offtrackgallery.com

Things are always changing and improving. Here's a fun thing to do to promote the gallery! On the Homepage, click on the TripAdvisor icon (the owl with glasses) at the top right of the page. It will take you to TripAdvisor. Log in or sign up and leave a review of the gallery. You click on the upper right on the paper and pencil icon to write a review.

(Write it as a visitor or traveler, not as a member of the guild.) Choose a month in the past for the date you visited, since we are currently closed. Submit your review. It will help drive us to a higher rating and therefore drive traffic in the future.

Monthly Show Results for August Show

BEST OF SHOW Neda Olomi, 'Blue Bird', Oil OIL Connie Gibboney, * Lois at Jo Jo's' Judi Pheiffer, *Bloom Where You Are Planted' Rita Shulak, *White Roses' 2nd 3rd ACRYLIC Virginia Murray, 'Sunset Break' Julie Swartz, 'Bubblegum Wave' 1st 2nd 3rd Vicky Jans, 'Twigging Out' Honorable Mention: Galina Marcus, 'Dice' WATERCOLOR Charlotte Colosia, 'Hilltop Gems' 1st Judy Richardson, 'Seafood's A Comin" 2nd 3rd Elizabeth Gilpin, 'Headlands' PHOTOGRAPHY, MIXED MEDIA, OTHER MEDIA (Please note there were not enough entries in each category to be judged separately) 1st Kert Jans, 'Dancers in Sync', Mixed Media Abbey Chamberlain, 'Water Graces #57', Photography Marcy Evers, 'Head On', Mixed Media 2nd 3rd Honorable Mention: Bea Gold, 'Hi Mom', Pen/Ink





Sunset Break (acrylic) by Virginia Murray

Jayne Spencer, International Award Winning Artist

As a native of San Diego and graduate of San Diego State University, she has been painting and exhibiting for more than 30 years throughout Southern California. The bold lines, fluid shapes, and my color palette are influenced by her father's paintings and her degree in graphic design.

Her work is inspired by the idea of capturing the emotional and visceral response we feel when we see a beautiful but fleeting image-a moment of color, intensity, movement, and expression that stays with us long after.

While known for representational and abstract work, her love is for portraits, and she have been honored with awards that include Best in Show for Cowboy , the Logan Award and Golden Award for Maasai Boy

She has juried watercolor shows in the San Diego area while teaching all levels of watercolor painting at a local community college and in Encinitas. She now offers online beginning watercolor classes focusing on the fundamental skills of watercolor.

View Jayne on YouTube: shorturl.at/uwCFP

Website: www.jaynespencerwatercolor.com

Monthly Show August - Best of Show

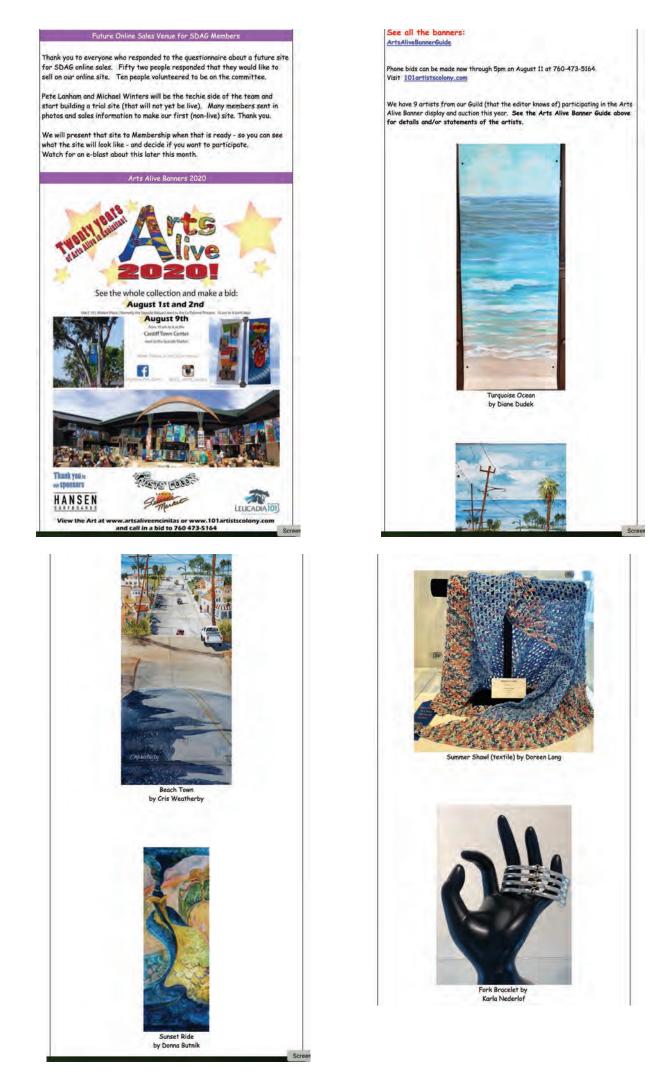


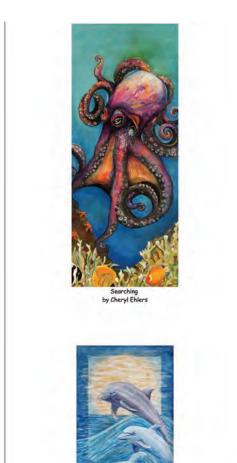


Hilltop Gems (watercolor) by Char Cee Colosia



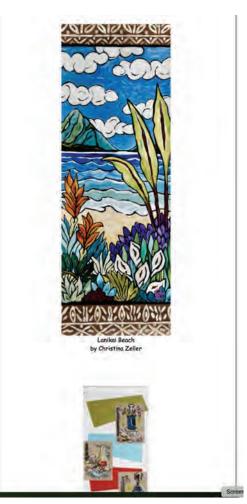
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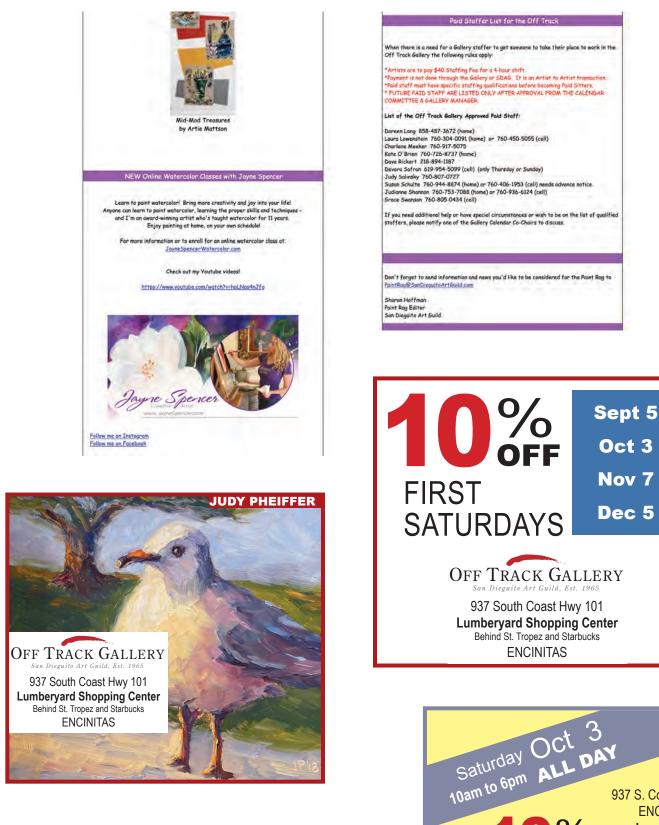
















San Dieguito Art Guild Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes via ZOOM online conference August 24, 2020

Call to order: 10:06 by Linda Melvin, President

IN ATTENDANCE: Jeff Brosbe, Deborah Buffington, Cheryl DeLain, Cheryl Ehlers, Karen Fidel, Carol Korfin, Linda Melemed, Linda Melvin, Terry Oshrin, Lily Pourat, Grace Swanson, Julie Swartz, Nancy Atherton West, Marissa Wright.

ABSENT: Ellen Cramer, Julie Harris, Sandy Heath, Sharon Hoffman.

<u>President's Notes</u> - Linda Melvin asked who would be willing to take over setting up and monitoring the Zoom meetings going forward in September since Carol Korfin will be taking over the position of Treasurer. Karen Fidel agreed to take over the role as Zoom coordinator.

Linda Melvin reported that members are asking if we will be having the Holiday Bazaar this year. She continued that we are working with the city as to how it can be held, inside the Community Center or perhaps in the parking lot.

Linda reminded the Board that masks that have been donated to the Guild for sale are not taxable and members need to be trained not to charge tax on masks.

Regarding Diane Abadie's expression of concern over having to pay rotation fees during the closure, and her request for the Guild's financial reports/status, Linda Melvin said she will write her a letter with the financial information at the month's close. Linda reported that all other display artists had paid their fees during this time.

Regarding the issue of how many shrink wrap pieces each member may put into the gallery, with consideration of space available, Linda Melvin agree to take this matter to the Gallery Committee meeting next month for discussion. She will report back to the Board in the next meeting.

<u>Secretary's Report</u> - Linda Melvin asked for a motion to approve the Secretary's minutes from the previous month's meeting.

Motion - Karen Fidel moved to accept the previous month's minutes; Carol Korfin seconded. The minutes from the previous month were approved unanimously.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Linda Melemed reported that as of July 31st, 2020 we had a total cash on hand of \$166,206. Artist sales year to date for the month ended July 31st were \$61,167 down from the prior year sales of \$86,952. Net loss Year to Date is (\$15,202) compared to the prior year loss of (\$4,251). The difference from the prior year is due to loss of Mother's Day income and closure of the Gallery for several months due to Covid-19 resulting in lower commissions from loss of art sales.

Motion - Karen Fidel made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report; Jeff Brosbe seconded. The motion was passed unanimously and the report was accepted.

<u>Membership</u> - Karen Fidel reported that some members have not renewed their membership. The Board discussed that this is typical and it's natural to worry each year, but we expect to continue to get new members as well.

<u>Publicity</u> - Grace Swanson reported that the bookmarks advertising the first Saturday 10% off sale until the end of the year are in, there is a poster outside advertising the sales, and also an ad in the Coast News.

Grace Swanson reported on progress of building the Guilds online sales site via WIX. She asked the Board to approve \$2500 to support the creation of the site.

Motion - Jeff Brosbe made a motion to approve Grace's request for her committee to pay \$2500 for creation of the WIX online sales site. Cheryl Ehlers seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of supporting the \$2500 investment.

Some further discussion about the new online sales site included how might the Guild manage the level of quality of artwork put up on the site, and also the suggestion that in the future we could incorporate "auctions". Grace added that we will take one step at a time, beginning with a beta site presented to the Board, followed by opening up to the membership. We will build from there.

<u>Social Media</u> - Julie Swartz reported that the Guild is getting new followers with our increased social media presence and that she is getting good feedback. Julie acknowledged that it is hard to track any increase in sales due to increased social media presence and this time.

The Board brainstormed other ways to drive increased traffic into the gallery including putting a piece of art on an easel in the patio area outside the gallery (not allowed by the property manager), hanging of a piece of art on a "wreath" door hanger, taking videos of the monthly show judging process, and other videos that might be appropriate for social media.

<u>Calendar (Lease Renegotiation)</u> - Carol Korfin reported that she and Cheryl DeLain participated in a Zoom seminar sponsored by the San Diego and Imperial Valley Small Business Development Center. The topic of the seminar was renegotiating a commercial property lease in the pandemic. Cheryl DeLain prepared notes for the Board (see attached document titled Board Presentation, 8/24/20: Lease Renegotiation). Board members expressed a variety of opinions regarding the pros and cons of approaching our landlord for such a discussion. It was pointed out that we signed a five year lease renewal early in the pandemic. It was also reported that some other tenants had approached the property managers for lease renegotiation and none had had their rent reduced.

Nancy West suggested that since the next step of meeting with Robert Woods, an attorney recommended by the San Diego Bar Association, is free, there would be no harm in proceeding to learn more. Carol and Cheryl could then report more information to the Board at the next meeting or when appropriate. Carol Korfin agreed, pointing out that as a Board it is our responsibility to do everything possible to understand how to keep the Guild financially stable.

Motion: Grace Swanson made a motion that Carol Korfin and Cheryl DeLain take the next (free) step with attorney Robert Woods, and also contact Encinitas 101, non-profit community business support organization for any insight they may have regarding lease renegotiations for non-profits during the pandemic. Karen Fidel seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

<u>Wall Chair Report</u> - Debi Buffington reported that the last rotation went smoothly and that it's obvious we only need one hour time slots in stead of one and a half. She will be implementing one hour time slots in the next rotation which will be October 14th and 15th.

<u>Floor Chair Report</u> - Lily Pourat reported that the floor rotation also went smoothly. Lily reported that the next jury session for new display artists will be in the October 12th or 13th timeframe, with potential new artists dropping off on those days and jurors coming over the weekend. Essentially this extended time period provides for social distancing.

<u>Jobs Chair Report</u> - Jeff Brosbe reported that he sent out the current jobs report with changes to reflect the new Board Members being installed today.

Carol Korfin brought up the fact the the jobs report changes so constantly that perhaps it need not be on the website since it isn't always current. The Board agreed that the jobs report need not be on the website.

<u>Monthly Show</u> - Cheryl Ehlers reported that the monthly show has 25 artists participating, with 40 pieces, and most are smaller pieces. She continued that the streamlined take in methods are continuing to work well. Cheryl brought up that the printer is failing, putting lines on everything and it should be replaced. The Board approved and Linda Melvin agreed to purchase a new one.

On the topic of record keeping with respect to the By Laws, resolutions and ammendments, Cheryl reported that she was reviewing the records and compiling them properly for the benefit of the Guild. She will be working with Carol Korfin, Nancy West, and Cheryl DeLain to accomplish this. The Board expressed their approval.

<u>Gallery Manager Report</u> - Terry Oshrin said goodbye to the Board! All thanked her for her 11 years of service.

<u>Hospitality</u> - Marissa Wright reported that since her job is on hold due to the pandemic and no receptions, she is instead cleaning the gallery thoroughly each time she staffs.

<u>Newsletter</u> - Ry Beloin, new Newsletter Chair, reported that she has a draft of the upcoming edition and asked members to send her any content suggested and to do so in any format. She will edit and reformat as appropriate.

<u>Installation of new Board Members</u> - Cheryl DeLain performed the duty of announcing the members leaving, thanking them for their service, and installation of the new Board Members. A copy of her presentation is attached behind these minutes as a record of members voted in to the new Board.

Motion - Jeff Brosbe made a motion to adjourn; Carol Korfin seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 11:47

Submitted by Nancy Atherton West, Secretary



This sign was spotted by Cheryl Ehlers on the Pannikin fence. The Pannikin remodeled and the sign disappeared.



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Off Track Gallery offers 10% off all artwork in the gallery ALL DAY the first Saturdays of 2020:

SEPTEMBER 5 OCTOBER 3 NOVEMBER 7 DECEMBER 5



All artwork in the gallery will be 10% off all day from 10am to closing



Message From the President Show Winners Environmental Painters Schedule Paid Staffer List

> September Dates Sept 5 - 10% off in Off Track Gallery Sept 15, 5pm - Deadline for Veterans' Show Sept 26, 5pm - Deadline for Oct Monthly Show Sept 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - Environmental Painters

> > Message from SDAG President

Hi to all Guild Members! I have been a part of S.D.A.G. since the 1970's, but will now be your president for the next year, 2021. You have had some amazing presidents over the years, who have worked hard to make our guild a bigger and better organization. Hats off to them.

Linda Melvin, who was President and Gallery Chair did a fantastic 'double job' this last year! She will still be Gallery Chair in 2021 and I'm sure we will work together. I hope to be of help to the guid, especially in the fundraising and gallery presentation areas! Everyone has done a great job in both areas, but COVID-19 has wrecked havoc with our usual fundraising events and financial situation. The gallery has never looked better and that should be maintained and or enhanced.



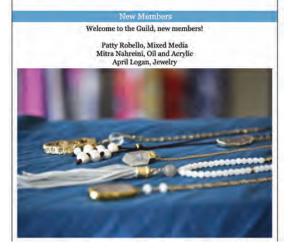
I live in Santa Barbara which could be a communication problem, especially living on a hill with less-than-perfect cell phone transmission. You need to know how to reach me in person or to leave a message. My first preference is a text message. My second preference is a voicemail on my cell phone. Cell phone number is 805-252-2731. I will then text, call or email you back. If I call you back, it will usually be from my home phone which is very reliable, except it does not take messages! Only leave messages on my cell phone. I will try to get back to you by the next day if not sooner. If you have not beard from me within 3 days, try again, as you may have slipped through the cracks!! I do not prefer email as your way to contact me on a new matter, but if I answer you back with an email, then that email discussion can continue as such!

In living to an age where I get discounts at the movie theaters, I have learned, when driving, to never switch lanes quickly. That has saved me several times. I also know that making quick decisions is not my best way to solve problems. A solution has to feel right in my gut, so give me time to get information and or sound things off the members or board, before large decisions are made.

Thanks for putting your trust in me. I'm hoping to get to know members better and know we can thrive in a time of uncertainty because we have such an organized and hard working core of ladies & gentlemen!

Patricia

President@sandieguitoartguild.com





Torif Williams, a native of New York, moved to San Diego in 1972 to attend University of California, La Jolla (UCSD) and earned her Bachelor's Degree in Visual Arts in 1974. Being influenced by the landscape and painting styles of the California Impressionists at the turn of the century. Toni has pursued her iove of the outdoors through en plein air work. Affiliated with and member of: American Impressionists Society, Signature member since 2009, Oil Painters of America, California Art Club, Laguna Plein Air Painters Association San Diego, San Dieguito Art Guild Rancho Santa Fe Art Guild. Visit Toni at tonivilliamsart.com.

Nancy-Jo Klaphaak, has immersed herself in mixed media and abstract art. She has a master from Stanford University, a BS in an from Skidmorc College, studied at Chicago Art institute, Art Center College of Design and at La Universidad de las Americas. Her love of vibrant color and texture are evident in many of her recent works. Recently, she completed design & illustration for a children's book. Dance of the Tide Pools nov available on Amazon and done commercial work for Mohter Goose Inc., Coca-Cola, Johnson & Johnson and 7-UP. Visit her On instagram.com/ancyloklaphab/ or email her Anter@aol.com

Update: Online Store



Progress Report on Future Online Sales Venue for SDAG Members

Thank you to Pete Lanham who has been researching what is involved for us to build our on-line sales site. He found us a Wix website professional to build the site for us and the board

He found us a Wix website professional to build the site for us and the board approved funds at the Monday, August 24 board meeting to move forward.

We are adding up the costs making a lot of decisions about how the site should be organized, how postings will work, how the site will look, how much it will cost to submit each piece if artwork, how many you can submit, what percentage the guild will take, etc. There are a lot of things to consider.

We will construct a BETA site, present that to the SDAG Board and then to the Membership. After that process we will be open for you to submit your artwork for sale on the e-commerce site.

Here are a few of things you need to be thinking about NOW.

 You will need to put a lot of thought into why a customer should purchase YOUR artwork. You will need to submit a very short paragraph as to WHY your art is special and how it will enhance the life of your customer. 2. Your photograph. It needs to be SUFEKB. Over the top WONDEKFUL. Your photo and your description are ALL your customer has to go on. Your customer needs to make a decision based on photos and words only. If you need help taking a GREAT photo let us know. It is possible we can set up a photo session at the gallery to get you quality photos. When we know the specs we will let you know the size, pixel set. If you do NOT know this stuff when the time comes - ask us for help. In this age of digital and online photos - as an artist - this is something you NEED to know. know.

3. Description. Not only will you need to submit the size of your art, you must describe it in great detail. What is it made of? How it is finished? Is it framed or unframed? How did you make it? How should your customer care of it? How can it be displayed? What motivated you to make this piece of art? What does your artwork depict. Why do you think your customer should buy it?

4. SHIPPING. This is a huge deal.

You may opt for FREE SHIPPING. This means that YOU pay for the shipping. This is ideal for small, or lightweight pieces. Your customer is much more likely to purchase your art if you ship for FREE. In the age of Amazon – people are used to purchase your art if you free and fast shipping.

If you cannot ship for free, you MUST know how much your shipping will be. Suggestion: take a sample of your artwork with packaging box and material to the post office, to your nearest UPS or to your FedEx store and ask.

Some people decide that they will "eat" part of the shipping to make a sale (split the cost with your customer to make the shipping more palatable). This is up to you. Remember how many times you have been excited to purchase something online until you saw how much shipping was and decided it was not worth it.

You may opt for the customer to meet you at the Gallery and pick up your artwork. This will work for local sales only so will limit your potential client base.

More updates soon!

at Saturday 10% Di The Off Track Gallery will be offering 10% off all artwork in the gallery all day the first Saturdays of 2020: September 5, October 3, November 7 and December 5.



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1st: Elizabeth Gilpin, Down by the Bay and: Lisa Curry, Sunny Succulents 3rd: Gregg Sindici, Into the Deep HM: Marcy Evers, Snake Wave Dreams HM: Galina Marcus, Mama Africa

Best of Show: Mitra Nahreini, Red Flowers

Monthly Show Winners





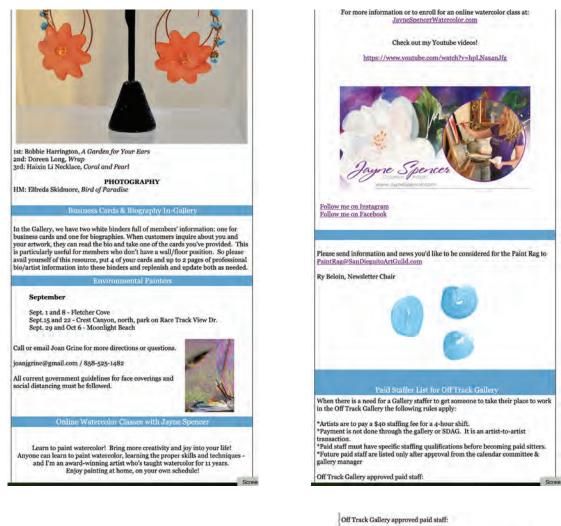
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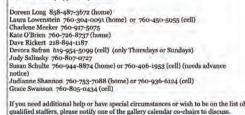


1st: Susan Ludwig, Sequoia 2nd: Ellen Cramer, It's 5:00 Somewhere #2 3rd: Pat Harrington, Butterfly Heaven

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Encinitas Historical Society to hold Walking • Tour of Historic Downtown Encinitas

The Encinitas Historical Society recently announced the return of its guided Walking Tour of Historic Downtown Encinitas beginning on Oct. 3. This two-hour tour has been redesigned to include additional points of historic interest. The Encinitas Historical Society's trained docents will walk

with tour participants to such places as the iconic boathouses, Cottonwood Creek, relocated historic buildings, and more as they wind their way through downtown Encinitas. Please gather at the one room historic 1883 schoolhouse located at 390 West F Street by 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 3. Masks and acceptable social distancing will be required. Bring your camera, walking shoes, and a desire to learn more about the historic downtown Encinitas. Space is limited. Call Carolyn @ (760) 753-4834 to sign up. This tour is offered free, but donations are accepted for this all-volunteer organization.

Promises2Kids announces the Brighter Futures Ball Drop fundraiser

Promises2Kids, a nonprofit organization whose mission is to create a brighter future for foster children, has launched a peer-to-peer fundraising campaign selling golf balls for the Brighter Futures Ball Drop on Oct. 2. This live, virtual event was launched last year and raised more than \$25,000. This year, with the community's support, Promises2Kids has a goal of raising even more essential funds to support foster youth in San Diego County.

The fundraising campaign will include selling golf balls, starting at \$25 per ball, now through Oct. 2. On Oct. 2, balls will be loaded into a *helicopter and a live Golf Ball Drop* will take place at the Del Mar Golf Center at 5 p.m. The ball that lands closest to the pin will win a \$2,500 cash prize, provided by Carmel Mountain Preschool. Golf balls can be purchased by visiting give.classy.org/promises2 kidsballdrop

The campaign allows everyone to contribute to creating a brighter future for foster children. Participants can help make an impact and share Promises2Kids' vital mission with family and friends.

For more information, visit www.promises2kids.org.



"Unsung Heros" by Tony Velez

Monthly show at the Off Track Gallery honors veterans

From Sept. 30 through Oct. 26, the Off Track Gallery will present a special annual show featuring the artwork of U.S. veterans. The gallery is open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Peter Lanham, SDAG member, having come from a military family, initially had the idea to honor vets in the Off Track Gallery. His mother, Shirley Lanham, was always active in helping military families, including the Red Cross and was the wife of Rear Admiral Harvey Lanham, COMFAIRWESTPAC.

Inclusion of veterans' artwork is the guild's way of honoring an artistic group of veterans that served and sacrificed for this country.

Former Commander of American Legion Post 416, Matthew Shillingburg, now with American Legion Post 760 and VANC, Hannah Mullins, executive director of Helping Paws and SDVC's PEH, and Steve Dilley, executive director of vetart.org, were asked to help locate local veteran artists. The veterans applied and were accepted. Lanham says, "It's an honor and privilege to serve those who have served and sacrificed while providing an artistic conduit for their art!"

The Off Track Gallery is owned and operated by the San Dieguito Art Guild, a nonprofit, 501(c)3 organization made up of over 200 talented local artists. The artists work in many mediums: painting, glass, gourd, photography, jewelry, and more.

Off Track Gallery is located at 937 South Coast Highway 101, Suite C-103, Encinitas, 760-942-3636, pr@sandieguitoartguild.com, OffTrackGallery.com.

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Gallery Committee Meeting October 22,2020

-Three small ladders could be of use during rotation. Unfortunately, members are getting irritated at one another over the ladders. It would be of help to the Wall chair for 3 smaller ladders.

-It is important that the rotation map be completed prior to rotation so it can be sent to each member and also placed on the desk at the gallery.

-The floor manager would like to request that all money be mailed either to her or to pay pal prior to rotation day or there will be a penalty. The people are either bringing checks to rotation or not paying until some time after. If the members of the floor are late with their check, they will not be able to place their items in the specified location until one week after receipt of the fee. The wall does not leave paintings on the wall if fee is not paid. Debbie should not have to put up with renters that have a bad attitude. During these next rotations the Gallery Manager will attend the set times and try to keep peace between individuals. -Grant is coming off the floor cube and Linda Melvin and Marcy Evers will share this area. The next Floor rotation is December 7 - 8 and Wall December 9-10

-The gallery committee will jury items as needed to fill spaces. No one signed up for jury this time.

-1/2 wall is open and Debbie will find someone.

-Linda Melvin will call Abbie Chamberlain concerning her sign about 20% off for 2 or more paintings being purchased. This is not possible and confusing to the treasurer or the staffer.

-It would be helpful if people from the monthly show would forward a photo of sold item to the marketing team for Instagram. This request could be put in the registration form.

-Bobbie Harrington has jewelry and has asked some members about when she could get a space. Linda Melvin will call about this, but it has been 18 months since she was juried and will need to jury again before being placed in a jewelry space. At this time there are no spaces available.

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solve the grand challenges of the 21st century For more information about Broadcom MASTERS, visit www.societyforscience.org.

17th Annual Small Image Show at Off Track Gallery open to non-member participation

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This year the Off Track Gallery is opening submissions to its Annual Small Image Show to (Southern California) non-members as well as to its own membership.

The show will run from Nov. 24 - Dec. 28, 2020 just in time for the holidays.

Art in five different categories will be accepted as long as each one measures no more than 12 inches on any side. Entry fee for non-members is \$13 each with a two-entry max. Cash awards will be given for Best of Show and for first place in each category. Fifteen percent of sales will go to the San Dieguito Art Guild.

For more information or a prospectus for the show, contact sdagmonthlyshow@gmail.com.

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to benefit Feeding San Diego, other charities



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Oct 3 - 10% off in Off Track Gallery Oct 24, 5pm - Deadline for Nov Monthly Show Oct 6, 13, 20, 27 - Environmental Painters

"Hi to all members, especially to new members! I hope this finds everyone healthy and in good spirits! The Board of Directors met I hope this finds everyone healthy and in good spirits! The Board of Directors met on Monday, September 21st, a week early because of a religious holiday observance. Our bylaws have been updated to reflect the inclusion of amendments and resolutions into our previously existing bylaws. If you want to read these organizational nuts and bolts, you can find them on our website! Go to our website at Offtrackgallery.com, log in, cick or hower on Membership, click or hower on Members Only in the drop down, click on SDAG bylaws (left side of page) and don your reading elasses. don your reading glasses.

A reminder to Offtrack sitters. On the first Saturdays of October, November, and Arteninater to Unitate states: On the first statutings to Conder, and December, visitors making purchases receive to% off merchandise! Customers are not allowed to have a sitter hold any merchandise alsead of time in order to get the to% discount. They have to take a chance that the item may be sold before the discounted Saturday arrives!



Cheryl Ehlers spotted an old and rusty sign STILL attached to the chain link fence at the Pannikin.

The Offtrack Gallery was started in 1982 by a group of 10 artists who had run the Art Garden Gallery in Del Mar. The gallery in the Pannikin (downstairs). Meanwhile the San Dieguito Art Guild had been functioning since 1965 and was in different location- behind the Corner Frame Shop.

In 1994 the Offtrack Gallery and the San Dieguito Art Guild merged. Patricia Watkins (our CURRENT president) was instrumental in getting the merge accomplished.

The Off Track Gallery moved out of the Pannikin in 2005.

At the time of its founding , the gallery was always one word - Offtrack. It has since morphed into two words: Off Track. Whenever you see an SDAG member refer to our gallery as the Offtrack Gallery, you know they have been with the guild a LONG TIME!



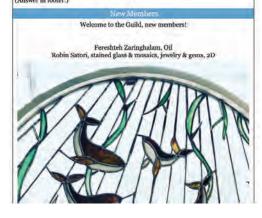
Congratulations to member Gregg Sindici who sold an \$800 painting from our September Monthly Show. Luckily, he had a photograph (jpeg) of the painting which he sent to Julie Swartz who posted the information onto Social Media. Julie would like to publicize more sales in the gallery, floor items included(except greeting cards). As an artist, take photos of your work before placing it into the gallery, so you will be ready when it's sold. When notified of a sale the artist needs to send Julie Swartz the jpeg image, title, artist name, medium, size & price plus any interesting information about said artwork or the process in making it. This is a new responsibility for the artist and also for sitters making the sale! Here is the sitters responsibility. sitters responsibility. 1. Call artist about sale

Call artist about sale
 Tell artist that they should send a jpeg (if they have one) with the above mentioned information to Julie Swartz by text.
 If artist does not have Jpeg photo, your responsibility ends there.
 If they do have a jpeg photo, then also text or call Julie and leave a message that Gregg Sindici (for example) will be sending her a jpeg and information soon about his solid item. If no one is answering their phone, leave a full message to the artist so they can follow through, if desired. If we do this, the artist and gallery will get more coverage on social media and save time in the process.

I will be out of town from October 4th to October 18th. I will take my laptop and check it every 2-3 days, but may not communicate as quickly, as when in Santa Barbara.

Board members are trying to think of novel fund raising ideas for our guild. If you, as a member, have any ideas, please forward them to me or to me via a board member. Just so you know, we cannot hold any events outside our current gallery location on the sidewalk or parking to tarea because management sizes 'nol' So take off those 'swim caps' and put on your 'thinking caps' and let me know!"

President's Factoid: In order for a member to be eligible for jurying consideration as a wall renter, they must enter how many Monthly Shows as a prior requirement?







BPCOMING SDAG MONTHLY SHOWS s are found on the SDAG website on the Mem Enter a Monthly Show". Mark your Calendars rs Tab

OCTOBER - 2 shows in one for Monthly Show

Hel 0 Application opens: Sept. J. 2020 Exhibit Sept. 29th – Oct 27, 2020 DEADLINE TO ENTER: Sept. 26th by 5 pm Coming soon: Info. on ludges, Toni Williams & Nancy-Jo Klaphaak Honoring Our Veterons Exhibition (must be a US Veteran) Application Open Now: Exhibit Sept 29th – Oct 27, 2020 DEADLINE TO ENTER: Sept. 15h by Spm

NOVEMBER Monthly Show Application Opens: Oct. 1, 2020 Exhibit Oct. 27 – Nov 24 DEADLINE TO ENTER: Oct. 24th by 5pm

DECEMBER Small Image Show Thems: Heartstrings Hollday Application Opens: Nov. 1, 2020 Exhibit Nov 24th – Ope 29, 2020 Up to (3) entries per person, no ant larger than 12x12 framed, Must be wired. It altyles are accepted. Enter early!! DEADLINE TO ENTER: Nov. 21st, by Spm sandieguitoartguild.com

Message Prop Public

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These videos will be used for publicity on Facebook, possibly Instagram and linked in e-blasts to our customers. This can be a great way to bring viewers into your studio and process and stay connected in these times.

You can record yourself, ask a friend or family member to help, or simply record a Zoom call between you and a fellow artist.

Send your recordings to pr@sandieguitoartguild.com

If you don't know how to record a zoom call or take video using your mobile phone or computer, contact us and we can provide you with information and/or work with you to produce an informal studio visit video. If you're interested, just let us know.

Update! First Saturday 10% Disc % FIRST SATURDAYS

In pre-pandemic times the Off Track Gallery hosted a bi-monthly reception held at the same time as the City of Encinitas' ArtNight. We had offered our customers 10% off on these nights. We obviously cannot have our receptions right now but decided to to continue the tradition and offer our customers 10% off - this time the first Saturdays of EVERY month of 2020.

Judging from the response of the first 10% off Saturday, we will most likely continue into 2021 also.

Previous Saturdays in August showed sales from a low of \$60 to a high of \$524 UNTIL September the 10% off day when \$911 of artwork was sold.

Congratulations to all the artists who made a sale that day!



Thank you to all our members who have renewed their membership dues through. August 31, 2021. To those that haven't renewed yet, membership renewal was due by August 32, 2020. We hope you will renew and continue to be part of our wonderful guild and gallery. You need to renew to participate in the Monthly Show and to rent wall and floor space. (If you joined the Guild in June, July or August 2020, your membership is paid up to August 31, 2021, so you can disregard this notice.) notice.)

Membership for one adult is \$105.00. Two adult household membership is \$150.00.

You can renew on-line by using this link: Renew Membership On-Line. Before using this link please close any window in your browser that has the SDAG website open and do not log into the system with your username and password. Please do NOT go directly to Paypal and use the "Send Money" feature. If you need help with paying on-line, please contact all Treadwell Svendsen at web@sandieguitoartguild.com.

If you would like to pay by check, please print and fill out this 2-page Membership Form and mail to

SDAG c/o Karen Fidel 16162 Avenida Venusto #4, San Diego, CA 92128

You can also stop by the gallery and pick up a renewal form at the front desk. If you have any questions, please contact me at membership@sandieguitoartguid.com.

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Information about the monthly show was not received in time for this newsletter. Peruse these images of Bob Ross with various animals, and check the website for updates!









UPDATED PROCEDURES FOR OPERATING GALLERY RE: COVID19 (10.12.20)

All staff must either take their own temperature and be below 100 degrees before coming to staff or not have COVID19 symptoms (cough, shortness of breath, trouble breathing, or two of the following – fever, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell). All staffers must follow all County procedures posted on the front door. We will only have overlapping shifts for training or in holiday season.

- 1. Remember to call next day staffers. AM shift call Karla at 760.471.9650
- Calendars and Board members list are in plastic sleeves on side cart (if you need to call any of us). Don't use binders unless absolutely necessary. (If you use, clean cover and plastic covered pages with a disinfectant wipe after use)
- Don't use Member directory. On side cart, under the plastic is a list of members and their phone numbers to use when calling member after a sale is made and to call next day staffers. If no answer leave a voice mail or text(if a cellphone) These procedures will be under the glass, as well as instructions for cleaning the credit card machine. DO NOT SPRAY LIQUID ON CREDIT CARD MACHINE.
- We only take credit/debit card sales. No cash or checks. We do take Apple Pay, Google Pay and Samsung Pay. Have customer insert own card or tap phone to Elavon screen when it asks for credit or debit card.
- 5. We will not enter sales into sales log for this time period. Artists can check the pink copy of the old sales receipt books if need be. They are to be put in the side cart drawer when they are completed. New sales envelopes will be used as soon as soon as old ones run out. Next to receipt # mark when you call artists. Some artists have not been getting calls.
- 6. Bea Gold is donating masks for \$15 to SDAG. She does not get paid for them. Mark receipt SDAG mask and DO NOT CHARGE SALES TAX.
- 7. If you make a large sale, ask the customer if you can take a picture of them with their item. Take with your phone, have them sign a release form (in the desk drawer), and text it to Julie Swartz at 858.245.5524 so she can post it on Social media
- 8. It has been suggested that writing up sales receipts at the side cart keeps a safer distance from the customer.

WHEN YOU ENTER GALLERY IN THE MORNING:

Have your mask on and keep it on. Don't use nametags.

- 1. Bring lock box and key in with you and open door all the way.
- 2. Turn on lights and unlock back door.
- 3. Use disinfectant wipe to clean key, lockbox, door handles, light switches, frame of sign, top of desk and side cart, drawer/door handles, phone, pens &

pen holders, stapler, calculator and tape dispenser on the desk. Put sign out front. Put lock box back after cleaning it.

- 4. In back office, for anything you touch,wipe with a disinfectant wipe (computer, printer, file drawers or safe handles.
- Wash your hands in back office at sink. Soap and paper towels will be by sink, along with trash container with plastic liner. (Happy Birthday twice!) ONLY STAFF CAN WASH HANDS IN BACK OF-FICE, CUSTOMERS WILL NEED TO USE RE-STROOM FACILITIES.
- 6. At the end of your shift wipe down all surfaces as you did in the beginning of it.
- 7. When afternoon shift arrives, ask them to read all instructions above.

WHEN CUSTOMERS COME IN: (There is a sign on the on the door with government and our guidelines). Leave door open. **No more than 10 customers allowed in at one time.** Floor is marked with safe distance markers. Keep wipes under or next to desk for your use. A station will be next to desk with hand sanitizer. **Do not let anyone in without a mask, worn properly, covering their MOUTH AND NOSE!**

- 1. If they don't want to wear a mask, say we will be glad to welcome them back in the future when they no longer need to, but you are required to adhere to our procedures dictated by the county.
- 2. Ask **EVERYONE (even members)** to use hand sanitizer in order to keep everything in the gallery sanitized.
- There are two pen holders on the desk. One "Sanitized". One "Used". Have them use one from the sanitized holder and put it in the used holder. At end of your shift, wipe down ones in the used holder and place in the sanitized holder.
- 4. DON'T enter sales in sales log, but DO ENTER SALES ON YOUR WHITE ENVELOPE and put your envelope in the safe at end of your shift.

WHEN ARRIVING FOR AFTERNOON SHIFT:

- 1. Read all instructions from the top and follow steps that apply.
- 2. When preparing to leave, after putting your envelope in the safe, wipe down back office surfaces you touched, lock back door and wipe down handle, wipe down desk and cart surfaces, phone, pens & pen holders, stapler, tape dispenser, calculator, credit card machine, light switches, bring in sign and wipe frame, lock door and wipe down handle, key and lockbox after putting it back.

THANK YOU FOR DOING YOUR PART TO KEEP EV-ERYONE SAFE!

Vilma Malmberg

It has come to our attention that Vilma Malmberg — the last of the 12 founding members of SDAG — passed away on October 18, 2018. She was 88. On June 8, 2013 a very special artist reception was held for her at the Off Track Gallery.

SDNEWS.com reported that: "Vilma's art interest started at age three. Fast forward some years, she majored in Art Education and picked up a few scholarships in Chicago, and taught art at the Illinois State University. Moving to California in 1958, she continued art studies at San Diego State. She saw art in everything. Traveling widely and living in both England and Japan, sparked her interest in Asian art. She continued to be inspired by nature, especially the western coastline and became proficient in pastels, watercolors and Chinese brush work. She is a skilled self-taught artist who is open to numerous styles' of painting and very good at interpretation."

She remembered the history of the San Dieguito Art Guild very well.

"One day in 1965 fellow artist, Sue Beere, called together friends and neighbors for coffee at her Del Mar home and together they mapped out a vision. There were no other art groups in North San Diego County at that time. The first people involved in the San Dieguito Art Guild were a mixture of people with a lot of art training or none at all. The main interest was to foster art and to provide a place to display it. We found a small storefront in Del Mar, our first gallery, and a lot of starving artist sales were used to pay the rent. The membership grew and flourished with some good years and some bad.

We managed to move around in three locations in Del Mar. The San Dieguito Art Galley rented the building where the Del Mar Library is now on the corner of 13th and Camino del Mar from 1969-1970. The building was the old St. James Catholic Church. During the time that the guild rented the building it was up for sale and Sue Beere and I wanted to buy it. I was prepared to put my own money into the building and get a mortgage. That did not happen. The building eventually was sold and became the Albatross Restaurant before it became the Del Mar Library. I was discouraged and to this day I still think about the memory that could have been".

At age 84 (at the time of her 2013 reception), Vilma was still active in the arts and a delight to speak to. She expressed her gratitude to her fellow artists, which she calls a "great group of gals". Her passion and love of art have kept her painting, which she simply states, "I love everything about it. My favorites are nature. These days, I am working on abstracts". She remains an active supporter and participant in the Guild's Monthly Show exhibits and a delightful role model for younger artists whom she encourages to participate in the guild.

"I care deeply about the San Dieguito Art Guild and what it represents. It takes a lot of volunteers and time to keep it going - they are very special folks and I am still proud to be part of the organization," says Vilma.

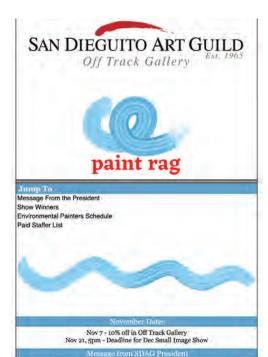
Over the years she has held numerous Guild positions; 1967 Publicity Chair, 1969-1970 Parliamentarian, 1973 member of the Ways and Means Committee, 1996-1998 Shrink Wrap Bins, Mother's Day Artists and Studio Tour volunteer, 1992 Mother's Day Tour docent organizer, and 2002–2003 Membership Chair Assistant. She has received numerous ribbons over the years for her many watercolor and pastel paintings and has been a member of the San Diego Watercolor Society and the Pastel Society.

We thank Vilma and others for giving us our beginning.









"Hello to all, especially our newest members who joined us in 2020, a year of unusual ups and downs. Covid has set all of us on our heels, but not forever. In fact, we should count our blessings to be a member of this time tested, well run Gallery known as Off Track Gallery. We opened much earlier than Gallery Los Olivos in Santa Barbara County, of which I am a member. We just opened in September for five days a week until further notice. Here, we have been open every day for several months. I feel gratitude for this opportunity, I hope you feel the same!

Same! Same! With Covid rules in effect, Chairs in charge of different responsibilities are being creative in trying to solve problems and iron out wrinkles in certain areas. We call upon your patience to help us. One of our wrinkles is the timing and hanging of member walls. We seem to need more ladders and yet have no room to store them. Hence, Deborah Buffington is asking those who hang on the top areas to bring your

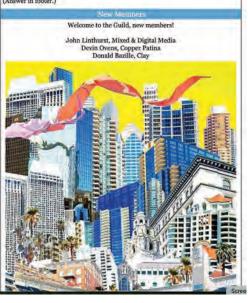


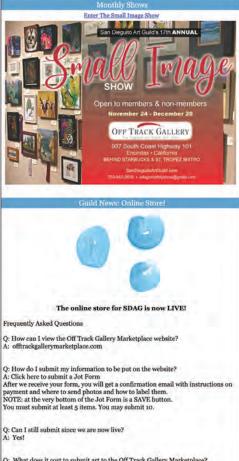
 Hence, Deborah Buffington is asking those who hang on the top areas to bring your own ladder for convenience! It doesn't have to be a gigantic one; a three to five step ladder is probably sufficient! Another area where we need your help is in payment of fees for floor rotation. The floor committee needs your floor fees by check or charge at the end of the prior month leading into the rotation month. For example, we will rotate again in December, and your fees are due by the last day of November to be current for rotation. If the Floor Chair does not have them by the last day of the month, you will NOT be able to place your items on time. You will be able to place your items on display one week after the late payment was received. The Floor Chair will notify the member of late reception with the date for your late placement.

received. The Floor Chair will notify the member of late reception with the date for your late placement. In the mean time, members on the Board of Directors are working hard to develop new opportunities such as our e-commerce site known as Offtrack Gallery Marketplace and new fundraising ideas for keeping SDAG & Offtrack Gallery a vial nonprofit model! So pease be patient as we head into a new year with new goals. All non-profits and businesses are competing for ideas and dollars at the same time. Let's be a strong team and head up the road together with beautiful Objets d' Art."

-Patricia

President's Factoid: If you are a wall artist member, where is your new location rotated to, every two months? (Answer in footer.)





Q: 1 don't know what to do about shipping. A: Yes, that is a big deal. You have a choice of: FREE shipping, setting a flat rate (visit the post office with sample item), meet your customer at the Gallery, or have customer contact you for shipping quote based on their address.

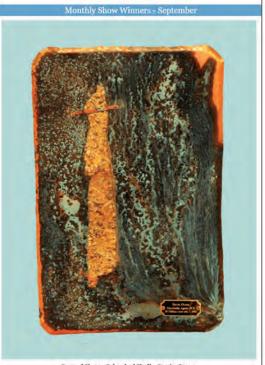
Q: If a piece of artwork sells may I replace it and will there be a cost? A: For the first 6 months you may replace a sold item for free. Policy may or may not change after that.

The San Dieguito Art Guild applied for and received a \$3,000 grant from the County of San Diego in mid-October. This grant was awarded as part of the San Diego County Small Business Grant program which was created to provide funds to small businesses and nonprofit organizations. The money was received in mid-October and was used to pay the rent.

Guild News- Grants



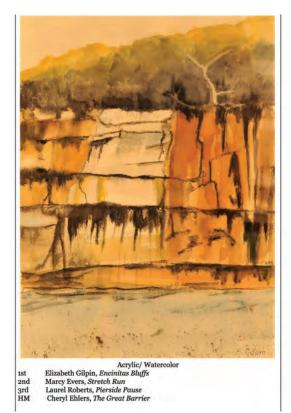


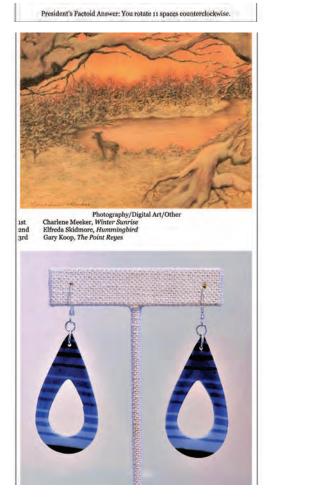


Best of Show: School of Shells, Devin Ovens



Unda Ellis, Wear a Mask Judy Richardson, U.S. Marines Memorial Deborah Fitzpatrick, Still Life with Roses Barbara Lynn Bingham, Walking Around Lake Murray 1st 2nd 3rd HM









San Dieguito Art Guild Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes via ZOOM online conference November 23, 2020

Call to order: 10:01 by Patricia Watkins, President

IN ATTENDANCE: Ry Beloin, Jeff Brosbe, Deborah Buffington, Cheryl Ehlers, Marcy Evers, Karen Fidel, Sandy Heath, Carol Korfin, Haixin Li, Linda Melvin, Lily Pourat, Dolores Renner, Judy Richardson, Grace Swanson, Patricia Watkins, Nancy Atherton West, Marissa Wright.

ABSENT: Ellen Cramer, Julie Swartz.

<u>Secretary's Report</u> - Patricia Watkins asked for a motion to approve the Secretary's minutes from the previous month's meeting.

Motion - Dolores Renner moved to accept the previous month's minutes. Linda Melvin seconded. The minutes from the previous month were approved unanimously.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Carol Korfin provided the following:

October Financial Summary -

On October 31st, 2020 we had total cash on hand of \$181,847. Artist sales year to date for the month ended October 31st were \$17,019 up from the prior year sales of \$12,722. Net profit Year to Date is \$9,616 compared to the prior year profit of \$9,982. The difference from the prior year is due to grant income of \$3,000 from the County of San Diego received in October 2020.

Sales for October, 2020 \$7,325 Sales for October, 2019 \$6,643

Motion - Judy Richardson made a motion to approve the October 2020 Treasurer's report. Grace Swanson seconded. The October financial report was approved unanimously.

Carol Korfin reported that our accounting firm has prepared our tax return and it will be signed by Linda Melemed, Treasurer from last year. She will sign in person to save the \$50 fee for electronic signature.

Carol continued that the Guild received a \$3,000 grant due to the pandemic from the County of San Diego in October and the funds were used to pay the November rent for the gallery. This has been documented per the requirements for the grant and the signatures needed are Carol Korfin and Karen Fidel. The documentation will be submitted today to the County.

Carol reported that she and Cheryl De Lain are awaiting a response from the property manager to schedule a meeting for discussion of possible renegotiation of our lease.

Carol reported on some recent problems in the gallery with the credit card system and also the internet. AT&T suggested a backup that turned out to be non-workable. AT&T was able to identify a technical connector problem outside of the gallery and this has been fixed. In the process of trouble shooting it became apparent that we are grossly overpaying Elevon, the credit card processing service. We have been paying 3 1/2% to 4 1/2% on transactions and we should only be paying 2%. Carol will present a proposal for cost savings at the next meeting. She also reported that using credit cards only (cashless policy) has been working well. She posed the question for discussion - should we continue with our no cash policy?

The Board briefly discussed the pros and cons of a no cash policy including health and safety, possible discrimination against customers who don't have a credit or debit card, and the fact that our error rates in accounting are far fewer with no cash. Nancy West suggested we continue the no cash policy at least until the vaccine is widely available. Carol Korfin agreed and proposed that we continue our cashless policy until the vaccine and/or government guidelines dictate differently. All agreed.

Carol Korfin reminded the Board that if the Elevon system does fail, the staffer should call Elevon for an authorization number and fill out an old fashioned credit card slip with the authorization number on the slip. Then the staffer should call Carol to let her know and Carol will handle the charge from there. Karen Fidel added that perhaps a reminder of our current no cash policy should be put in the Paint Rag.

<u>Gallery Manager Report</u> - Linda Melvin reported an edit to her Gallery Committee minutes emailed to the Board previously. It was reported that Linda would be sending a letter to a particular member who has exhibited less than stellar behavior toward other members during rotation asking for better coordination and cooperation with others. Instead, a letter from Patricia Watkins will be sent to all members urging patience and a better attitude during rotation especially during these times with all the extra health and safety measures.

Karen Fidel reminded the Board that because of the 25% capacity requirement during COVID for retail, we need to limit the number of people in the gallery at any one time to seven. Cheryl Ehlers volunteered to change our sign to reflect this requirement.

Linda Melvin reported that theft in retail spaces and other businesses has increased throughout Encinitas, hence gallery staffers must be even more vigilant, walking around the gallery observing all customers at all times. Another reminder is to make certain all locks are indeed locked when leaving the gallery. Patricia Watkins noted that she will publish a reminder for staffers of these important measures in the Paint Rag.

Carol Korfin asked for more details on a mention of going entirely to Paypal in the Gallery Committee Minutes. Deborah Buffington said detail would come later after the next Gallery Committee meeting is held and discussions and possible decisions are made.

Patricia invited Judy Richardson to ask the Floor and Wall Chairs about the rotation maps she had made for them last rotation, because apparently they were not used. Through discussion it was determined that Judy will make the map for future Floor rotations but that Deborah Buffington will make the map for future Wall rotations.

<u>Wall Chair Report</u> - Deborah Buffington reported that Karen Krugman is coming off the wall and Betty Byrd who is currently her half wall mate will take the full wall. Rotation is December 8th and 9th. Thirteen artists have not paid to date but will be reminded that their fees are due by the end of November. Deborah also reported that she had received some requests to jury for the wall.

<u>Floor Chair Report</u> - Lily Pourat reported that the next jury process will be virtual again, and that she would send out an email with details in the next day or so.

Lily raised the topic of non payment or late payment of floor display rotation fees by month's end, which is our polic. The penalty for late or non-payment is keeping the artist's art work out of the gallery for one week's duration. This week long penalty begins once the late payment is received by Lily. She expressed dismay that this penalty might leave some empty spaces. It was decided the current policy will stand for now and will hopefully motivate on time payments in the future. Patricia Watkins will call and remind those artists currently unpaid to pay before the deadline.

<u>Calendar</u> - Dolores Renner was asked by Patricia Watkins to review for her the details of her job as well as Sandy Heath and Ellen Cramer, who together make the Calendar management team. Dolores explained each members job in detail.

<u>Monthly Show</u> - Cheryl Ehlers reported that 123 pieces have been submitted for the Small Images show and of the 65 artists submitting, only 22 are Offtrack members. Hopefully this may lead to some new members. Take in for this show so far is \$1,085. The net from the November show was lower than usual at \$598 but Cheryl explained she believes this is due to approximately 30 artists having recently joined the Offtrack Marketplace online sales site, and the fact that membership dues were recently paid as well as rotation fees.

Cheryl continued that she is coordinating with Ry Beloin, Newsletter Chair, regarding take in dates for Monthly Shows next year, and that improvements are being made to the Monthly Show area of our website.

Jeff Brosbe asked Karen Fidel what our current membership is and Karen replied approximately 180, adding that it typically goes up by about 40 and down by about 40 each year.

<u>Publicity</u> - Grace Swanson reported that the online Off Track Market Place sales now has 26 artists participating. There have been five sales to date. and one inquiry from and artist outside of the area interested in displaying work on our site. Grace continued that artists outside of the area would need to become Guild members to show their work on the site, and although they would not need to jury, we do reserve the right to allow only quality work.

Grace Swanson reported that the Encinitas Small Business Saturday is coming up the Saturday after Thanksgiving and that 30% off tags would be available for artists who wish to participate by the end of Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

It was reported by Grace that our First Saturday 10% off sales in November were \$868, indicating that the discount does have a positive affect on sales volume. Dolores Renner asked if we plan to continue these monthly sales into 2021, since she would need to include them in the calendar. The Board agreed to continue the First Saturday 10% off sales into 2021.

Grace reported that the Lumberyard has created a Facebook and Instagram page and that she uploaded all kinds of good gallery publicity to them for inclusion. Grace will coordinate with Julie Swartz in this area as needed.

Grace reported that since Art Nights didn't happen due to the pandemic, and they didn't roll us over onto their 2021 list, we are waitlisted at this time. However, she continued that the organization is considering doing virtual art nights, with their staff coming into the galleries to create the video for the events. These would be available to viewers on their website and on our website as well.

<u>Jobs Chair</u> - Jeff Brosbe reported that he had identified three members to volunteer for the job of helping Membership Chair, Karen Fidel, with putting together the next Member's Directory. Jeff reminded members that when they request a volunteer for a job, that job should be at least two hours in duration of work, because the volunteer is excused from a four hour shift sitting in the gallery. <u>Newsletter</u> - Ry Beloin reported that the deadline for materials for the newsletter this month is November 28th at 9pm.

The Board briefly discussed reconciliation of event dates including special sales, take in dates, and newsletter deadlines. All Board members agreed to bring their calendars up to date with this current and future date information.

Social Media - Julie Swartz was absent due to her move and there was no report.

The Board continued the discussion of gallery security, the possibility of adding cameras, replacing the batteries in the existing "fake" cameras that will then move, and possibly an alarm system. It was decided that the Gallery Committee could take up this topic in a future meeting if warranted.

Motion - Jeff Brosbe made a motion to adjourn; Nancy West seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 11:22

Submitted by Nancy Atherton West, Secretary

DECEMBER 5

In pre-pandemic times when the San Dieguito Art Guild had a reception every other month at the Off Track Gallery in conjunction with the City of Encinitas' ArtNights, customers were given 10% off all artwork in the gallery from opening until closing.

Even though receptions are not happening right now, the guild would like to extend the 10% off tradition. This time EVERY month for the rest of 2020.

Off Track Gallery offers 10% off all artwork in the gallery ALL DAY the first Saturdays of 2020:



All artwork in the gallery will be 10% off all day from 10am to closing

Encinitas Small Business Day Sponsored by Encinitas 101 Saturday, November 28

Do you have extra inventory that has been around for a while and you are now willing to mark it down for SALE? Here is your chance.

The Off Track Gallery will be advertising an "Up to 30% off selected artwork" as part of the Encinitas Small Business Day

Wall and Floor artists may choose to participate -- or not. This is optional.

Monthly Show is not involved.

Floor artists may come into the gallery any time Thursday or Friday and switch out a few of their items (if necessary) and attach the appropriate sales tag (provided).

Wall artists may attach their tag to an existing artwork on their wall OR switch out one or two pieces Thursday or Friday WITHOUT re-hanging their whole wall.

If you cannot make it to the gallery call a friend to do it for you.

Do NOT call the staff and ask them to do this.

Red tag = 30% off Green = 20% off Blue = 15% off

There will be no 10% off since we already have 10% off Saturday, December 5

There will be **LIMITED** space outside for a couple tables and a few easels. You must bring your OWN EASLE to set up outside as space permits. The gallery has a couple tables that can be moved outside. If you choose this option be prepared to stay at least part of the day.

Contact **Karen Fidel at karenfidel@hotmail.com** if you choose to bring extra art to set up outside. Depending on response she will let you know how many pieces you may bring and let you know if there is still room for you.

Rain cancels showing outside.

All tags will be removed early Sunday morning

NOTE: Gallery is closed Thursday. If you tag your work on Friday we will allow staff to sell it at reduced price that day.

The prices will be hand-written in sharpie on the appropriate tags.

The prices must be in whole numbers. Round down when necessary. For example: \$59.50 cents round down to \$59









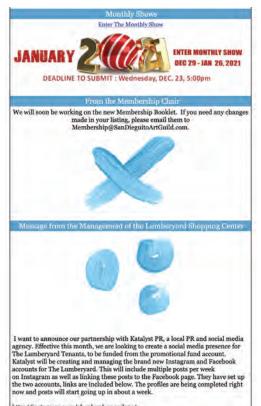


As we approach December Holidays, everyone is SO husy trying to get ready as well as doing all the regular items like keeping food, home, cars, health, maintenance, and your job (if you have one) intact. On top of this, people will be purchasing, online and in person. As a sitter expect more customers to visit our gallery. Businesses in our area have had thefts and break-ins the last few months, in daytime and at night: Therefore, it is very important for sitters to focus on the job of sitting, helping, watching, selling, writing complete receipts and locking all locks when you leave! Don't forget the back door. You would hat to be the person who forgets to lock up completely and the next day is a disaster. Stay alert! Don't just be a sitter, get up and keep your jeve on as many customers ap possible. Be casual, but be diligent. Stealing is sometimes done in teams. One visitor engages, while the other steals. Sometimes it's impossible to prevent, but we need to try. If eacy definitely see a theft, do not confront, but try to keep them in the gallery long, enough to get a good physical description. (Clothing, hair & eye color, height & etc.) Watch which direction they leave and then call the police. Perhaps they can catch them. Now, some good news.....SDAG received a CARES Small Business Grant of three thousand dollars from the County of San Diego. We thank Cheryl DeLain for writing the Grant. We are using the momey to help pay the rent. We also thank Carol Korfin and Cheryl DeLain for handling the problems and paper work of getting our big loaw which should help us weatter this Covid storm. More Swanson and sales have been made. Let as give thanks to these members for their dedication and expertise. A reminder to all SDAG Members of our Annual All Members Meeting coming up on Satuday, January goth 2022 at 10 a.m. by Zoam. I did not say Fruit of the LOOM, I said BY ZOOM. 'The zoom link will be sent to you by Kmall. Please SAYE the DATE no your zoot Calendar! In pay ty east this meeting was in person, but not thi

Many Thanks and Happy Holidays!"

Patricia Watkins

Welcome to the Guild, new members! Boyeon Kimmel, Glass and Metal Jewelry Alexander Morales, Acrylic and Watercolors



http://instagram.com/shoplumberyard101/ https://www.facebook.com/shoplumberyard101

Our goal with the Instagram account is to increase the awareness not just of The Lumberyard, but of the individual lenants that make up the center, as well as creating more of a brand personality for The Lumberyard through the posts.



As you are posting on your own Instagram accounts, please tag @shoplumberyardioi. This will make it easier for Katalyst to share your posts on our new Instagram account and keep them aware of the happenings at each of your shops and restaurants.

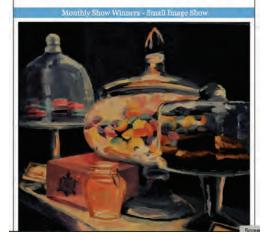
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Support your fellow artists by gift shopping at the Off Track Gallery this holiday

season. Swing by the Gallery before you go to any other stores to find that perfect present. You can shop online at OffTrackGalleryMarketplace.com. Many artists offer free shipping and could ship directly to your friends or family!



Still in effect: 10% Off First Saturdays! Artwork in-gallery is discounted by 10% the first Saturday of every month. Upcoming dates are Nov 7 & Dec 5.











Call or email Joan Grine for more directions or questions. Joanjgrine@gmail.com / 858-525-1482 All current goverament guidelines for face coverings and social distancing must be followed.



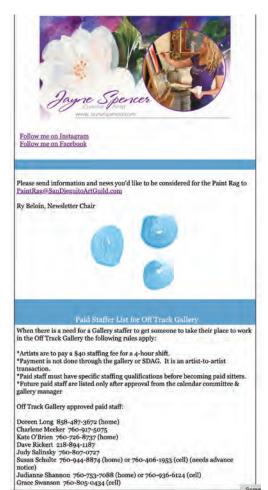
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San Dieguito Art Guild Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes via ZOOM online conference December 21, 2020

Call to order: 10:03 by Patricia Watkins, President.

IN ATTENDANCE: Ry Beloin, Deborah Buffington, Cheryl Ehlers, Marcy Evers, Karen Fidel, Sandy Heath (joined meeting at 10:30), Carol Korfin, Haixin Li, Linda Melvin, Lily Pourat, Dolores Renner, Judy Richardson, Grace Swanson, Julie Swartz, Patricia Watkins, Nancy Atherton West, Marissa Wright, and Cheryl DeLain (non-board member).

ABSENT: Jeff Brosbe, Ellen Cramer.

Patricia Watkins reminded the Board that it is Judy Richardson's responsibility to call on members before they speak during the zoom meetings as an aid to all hearing each other and the secretary taking accurate notes.

<u>Secretary's Report</u> - Patricia Watkins asked for a motion to approve the Secretary's minutes from the previous month's meeting.

Motion - Grace Swanson moved to accept the previous month's minutes. Linda Melvin seconded. The minutes from the previous month were approved unanimously.

<u>SDAG Annual Meeting</u> - Karen Fidel, Membership Chair, announced that the Annual Meeting of the San Dieguito Art Guild will be held via Zoom on January 30th, 2021 at 10am. For members new to Zoom, the meeting will include a half hour orientation beginning at 9:30. Linda Melvin will help the Apple users, and Carol Korfin will help the non-Apple users. Grace Swanson will send out a "Save the Date" for the Annual Meeting after the holidays. Karen advised that she will show a short video during the annual meeting, which was provided by Grace.

Karen reported that Laura Lowenstein will produce the 2021 Membership Booklet with help from Grace Swanson.

<u>Floor Chair Report</u> - Lily Pourat reported that all floor fees were paid on time by members for the last rotation. Lily reported that the jury process is fully online and that members may submit work at any time to be reviewed. She continued that we need more publicity of the jury opportunity to members. Ry Beloin asked if she should put a notice regarding the jury process in the Paint Rag, and it was agreed that she would.

Lily stated that she could use more judges. Patricia Watkins volunteered to be a judge.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Carol Korfin reported that on November 30th, 2020 we had total cash on hand of \$177,201. Artist sales Year to Date for the month ended November 30th were \$23,739 up from the prior year sales of \$20,758. Off Track Gallery Marketplace (OTGM) sales Year to Date are \$416. Net profit Year to Date is \$4,783 compared to the prior year profit of \$7,623.

Sales for November 2020: Off Track = \$6,720. OTGM = \$416. Sales for November 2019: Off Track = \$8,024. OTGM = n/a

There were no questions and no discussion.

Motion - Karen Fidel made a motion to approve the November 2020 Treasurer's report. Dolores Renner seconded. The November financial report was approved unanimously.

Carol Korfin reported that she is continuing to pursue either a decrease in the rate we pay Elevon, our current credit card processing service or contracting with another company altogether. A rate review with Elevon has proved unsatisfactory. We currently pay Elevon approximately \$300/month; Carol is striving to save the Guild 1/2 to 1/3 of that amount. Carol continued that if we change companies we may need a different credit card processing machine. Finally, Carol suggested we would most likely make the change, if necessary, in the early part of next year when the gallery is slow.

Carol Korfin reported that she was able to make a reservation for the SDAG Holiday Bazaar at the Encinitas Community and Senior Center for December 4, 2021. She continued that the cost may be an additional \$50 if we want to use the kitchen.

Regarding the topic of lease renegotiation, Carol announced that she had received a response from Donna Bell at Cornerstone (the property manager) to the letter she and Cheryl DeLain had crafted, proposing a renegotiation of our lease because of the pandemic. The result is that Cornerstone will give the Guild a \$6,000 credit on our rent in the form of a donation back to the gallery.

<u>COVID 19 Stimulus Programs</u> - Cheryl DeLain reported that the County of San Diego has reopened their grant program and we have applied and are "in line" for approval. She noted that preference for grants will be given to businesses that have had to close and reopen multiple times. Also, the city of Encinitas has reopened their grant program and we are in line with them as well. At the federal level, it is expected that another relief package will be passed by congress as early as today. It includes the grant aspect of the EIDL program. Cheryl asked the board if there was any objection to her pursuing a second grant from the EIDL program; there were no objections. She also asked if we wanted to pursue the loan aspect of this program; it was agreed that we will not pursue another loan.

Cheryl DeLain continued by saying the federal Payroll Protection Plan (PPP) is also being reopened. She described the requirements of the PPP and reminded us that earlier in the year the Board had discussed applying for the PPP and deemed it inappropriate for our Guild, mainly because 75% of the money must go to 1099 recipients and if it wasn't approved as a grant, the guild would have to repay it as a loan and we would not be able to recoup what we paid out to artists so it would be a big expense for us.

Motion - Patricia Watkins made a motion that since it is believed at this time that the "terms" of the PPP are the same as they were in the initial roll out of the program, that we not pursue the PPP. Grace Swanson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

10:30 - Lily Pourat had to leave the meeting. Sandy Heath joined the meeting.

<u>Temporary - Treasurer to become a signer at US Bank?</u> - Carol Korfin approached the Board with a request that she be given signature power for the Guild's affairs with US Bank for a temporary period during the pandemic such that she would be able to do online banking to a greater extent. Carol explained to the Board that our By Laws state that the Treasurer is not a signer for the Guild. Currently there are three signers, Karen Fidel, Linda Melvin, and Grace Swanson. But because of the health risks of going to the bank, handling transaction materials, meeting with the signers, it would put Carol at lesser risk to be able to sign herself.

The Board discussed the pros and cons of giving the Treasurer signing power, including the fact that the existing rule is a measure to protect the Treasurer from any potential accusation of

wrong doing. After further discussion, the Board agreed that Carol would be protected if she was given power to sign but also that every transaction she signs on behalf of the Guild is reported in writing to Karen Fidel.

Motion: Grace Swanson made a motion to grant Carol Korfin, Treasurer, signature access to the Guild's bank accounts with U S Bank immediately for a period of three months (to be reevaluated at the end of March, 2021) with the stipulation that all transactions will be documented in writing by Ms. Korfin to Karen Fidel, Membership Chair, who is also a signatory for the Guild's accounts. Karen Fidel seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously by a quorum of the Board of Directors.

<u>Wall Chair Report</u> - Debi Buffington reported that the next rotation will be February 10th and 11th. She continued that there are currently two artists who have juried in for the wall, but there are no empty spaces at this time. Debi continued that she will be attending the last part of rotation next time in order to give better instruction for clean up of ladders and other hanging materials at the end.

<u>Gallery Manager Report</u> - Linda Melvin reported that the next Gallery Committee meeting will be Thursday, January 21st at 1:00pm. Cheryl Ehlers reported that she had replaced the batteries on all the "dummy" cameras in the gallery. The Board discussed buying actual cameras that upload video to an app, but the question would be who would monitor the video.

Motion - Patricia Watkins made a motion that the Guild keep the "dummy" cameras and replace any that are no longer working. Karen Fidel seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

(Reminder - it was decided in the last Board meeting that the First Saturday 10% off will continue into 2021 until we resume participation in Encinitas Art Night.)

Calendar - no report

<u>Monthly Show</u> - Cheryl Ehlers reported that the Small Image Show resulted in gross sales of \$1,233 and net sales of \$1,080. There were 63 artists participating with 124 works. Cheryl commented that the show could probably have included another 20 small pieces. To date there have been eleven sales, of work by both members and non-members. The Guild gained three or four new members as a result of the "open" show. Cheryl suggested because of the success of the show that we consider having another open style show in the summer, perhaps in conjunction with Art Night.

Motion - Karen Fidel made a motion to approve another Small Image Open show in the summer to coincide with Encinitas Art Night, to be scheduled by Cheryl Ehlers. Patricia Watkins seconded. The motion was carried unanimously.

<u>Publicity</u> - Grace Swanson reported that the sales from the First Saturday 10% off in December were \$400 in gift cards and \$675 in art sales.

Carol Korfin added that the Small Business "Saturday" (SDAG participated for three days) after Thanksgiving resulted in sales of \$1,160 with \$327 with of that total being marked down items.

Jobs Chair - no report; Jeff Brosbe absent.

<u>Social Media</u> - Julie Swartz started a discussion of the process of obtaining photographs of work that has sold for the purpose of publicity on social media. Patricia Watkins clarified for the Board that it is the responsibility of the artist to photograph the work that they are

displaying in the gallery whether it be wall, floor, or monthly show. It is the responsibility of the staffer to call a member whose work has sold. Then it is the responsibility of that artist whose work has sold to send an image of it (suitable for publication on social media) to Julie Swartz. It was agreed by all that the communication of this process is needed. This will be communicated by the calendar team to staffers, in the Paint Rag to all members, and in addition, reminders to display artists from the Wall and Floor Chairs. Julie continues by saying she does go into the gallery to take photographs on occasion and will continue to do so.

<u>Newsletter</u> - Ry Beloin reported that the deadline for submissions for the newsletter this month is December 30th at 9pm. Ry and Cheryl Ehlers confirmed that for the Monthly Shows, the images that should be included in the newsletter are the Best Of Show, and First Place in each category. Ry will work with Cheryl each month for captions for the images.

Motion - Patricia Watkins made a motion to adjourn; Judy Richardson seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35

Submitted by Nancy Atherton West, Secretary

What makes the Small Image Show so Special?

- The show is open to San Dieguito Art Guild (SDAG) members and nonmembers.
- Cash awards will be awarded in five (5) categories.
- 100 pieces will be selected to hang.
- Excellent sales potential due to local and tourist walk-in traffic.
- Commission for work sold is only 15%.
- The Off Track Gallery collects necessary Sales Tax.
- Every piece of art <u>must be no larger</u> than 12" square or smaller—a creation perfect for holiday gifts, and affordable.

Bring in Work for Take-in

Tuesday, November 24th, 2-5pm. Artwork must be hand delivered to the Gallery, with receipt of payment.

Apply Online

Deadline is November 21st by 5pm Easy! To enter go to the SDAG website at sandieguitoartguild.com, <u>"Enter a Monthly</u> <u>Show"</u> under the Membership tab. Questions: Email/Call 760-519-1551, sdagmonthlyshow@gmail.com

Pick up Work

Monday, December 28th, between 12-5pm. Due to storage restrictions, <u>work must not</u> <u>be left</u> or it may be sold and monies donated to SDAG.

Description of Show Categories

Oil and Acrylic

Oil, acrylic, casein on canvas, masonite, or wood.

Watercolor (Medium under Glass)

Any water medium on paper or illustration board which is framed under glass. Watercolor, casein, and gouache.

Photography & Digital Art

Black & white, color, digital prints both manipulated and un-manipulated, and art that is created on the computer

Mixed Media

Two or more medias together, OR collage in more than one media.

Other Media

Pastel. Oil pastel or regular pastels.
 Drawings. Conte, graphite, charcoal, pen & ink, marker, watercolor pencils or crayons, colored pencil.

> 3D-Wall Hanging. Ceramic, glass, metal, wood, plastic, paper-mache, basrelief, or any other 3-D piece. Can be combined media 3-D sculpture. Wall Hanging or free standing.

> Printmaking. Must be original and not series of prints. Linoleum or wood block, etching, or monoprints. Collage (in one media). If more than one media enter in Mixed Media.

- > Encaustic
- > Copper Enameling.

> No Jewelry, Other Items, Unless in enclosed frame mounted for a wall.





November 24, 2020 to December 28, 2020



San Dieguito Art Guild Off Track Gallery 937 South Coast Hwy 101, Suite C103 Encinitas, CA 92024

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Entry Fees

Members

Up to 2 entries, \$10 each. Non-Members Up to 2 entries \$13 each. Payments are made online with the Application signup. Fees are non-refundable

Awards

(Award winners to be notified via email)

| Best of Show | \$50/Cert. |
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| First Place(s) | \$25/Cert. |
| Second Place(s) | Ribbon/Cert. |
| Third Place(s) | Ribbon/Cert. |
| Honorable Mention | Ribbons/Cert. |
| President's Choice | Ribbon/Cert. |

Ribbons, Awards and Certificates will be provided when you pick up your art on Monday, December 28th, 12-5pm.

Eligibility

- Open to all Southern California Artists.
- All work must be original work of the artist and for sale.
- You may submit reproductions (such as Gicleés) and offer them for sale, but they are NOT eligible for awards or ribbons.

Sale of Art

 A 15% commission will be collected on all work sold. The Off Track Gallery collects sales tax from the buyer. Artists will be notified by phone upon the sale of their work.

Replacement of Sold Art

The artist may hang another piece of the same size to replace sold art. Payment to the artist for sold pieces will arrive in the mail approximately one month following the sale.

Entry Rules

- Maximum entry size for flat work is 12" square including the frame, 12" cubed for 3-D work.
- 2 entries maximum per artist.
- All paint must be dry. Do not bring in wet paintings.
- Works in paper must be under glass.
- All 2D works must have a multi-strand wire (not a saw-toothed hanger) attached securely approximately, and the ends of wire must be taped. Other hanging devices will be rejected.
- Work must be framed or gallery wrapped. (no staples on sides).
- Be sure your work looks as nice as it can, with clean, well put-together frame, free of marks, dirt, and clean glass.
- Reproductions/prints of original art (such as Gicleés) must CLEARLY be identified as such (but will not be judged).
- Work may not be withdrawn until the end of the show

Disclaimer:

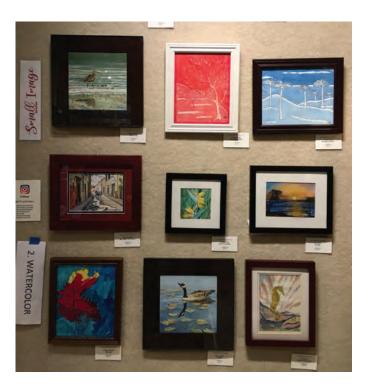
 The Guild reserves the right to refuse entries deemed inappropriate, or that does not meet SDAG standards. If your art is unacceptable, the entry fees are nonrefundable at take-in. You are responsible with the cleanliness and representation of art, mats, frames, and adhering to the procedures and requirements.

Judge for the Small Image Show, Julie Weaverling

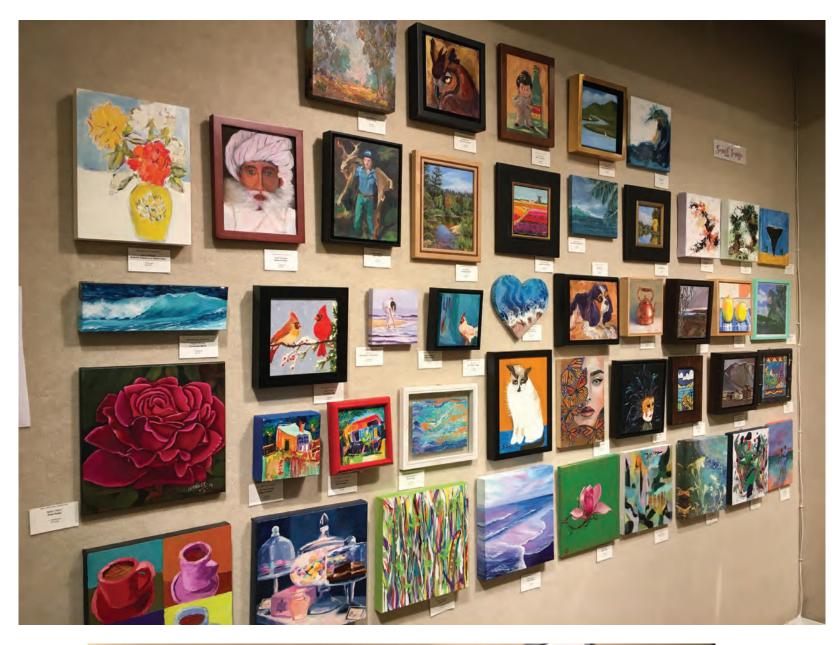
Born and raised in Colorado, Julie lives and works in Southern California. Art and music have always been an important part of her life. After studying business in college, it was a trip to Florence, Italy that impacted Julie's life. So inspired by the art there, she determined to change her life, take her art to the next level and to earn her living through art. Julie serves as Director of the Front Porch Gallery, a nonprofit gallery in Carlsbad, where she has worked since 2006. There she curates exhibits; works with region based artists, oversees operations including developing programs for residents of Front Porch Communities and juries exhibitions both for the gallery and outside organizations.

Julie has continued to develop her art with a unique artistic voice and evocative exploration of shared human workings. Julie strives to uplift by creating artworks with an aim to illicit feeling as well as thought. Her desire is to create beauty in her work without it having to be pretty. She is represented by ugallery.com, where she is a Top Artist, and works are sold nationally through the exclusive Crate and Barrel and UGallery.com partnership. Also, represented world-wide, with the fine art publisher imageconscious.com, where she has been featured in books; A Walk into Abstracts 2 and Joomchi and Beyond. She is influenced by most by artists with a brave heart. http://www.frontporchgallery.org. www.julieweaverling.com

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